

## Shamir warns Kohl ties may be harmed

Jerusalem Post Staff

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir will meet this morning for a final round of talks before Kohl leaves for home at noon. The topic that has dominated their talks during Kohl's five-day visit, the West German-Saudi Arabia arms deal, will be raised again by Shamir in this concluding meeting.

Shamir has impressed upon Kohl repeatedly Israel's total objection to any such deal with Saudi Arabia, and has gone so far as to tell the West German leader bluntly that if the arms sales go through, it cannot fail to have implications for the relations between Jerusalem and Bonn.

The Jerusalem Post has learned that the German government spokesman, Avi Pazner told The Post on Friday that Kohl has told Shamir there was no final decision so far to sell arms to the Saudis. Opposition leader Shimon Peres, who met Kohl on Thursday, also said that he had the impression that there was no final decision in Bonn.

Alois Mertes, West German minister of state for foreign affairs, on Friday told German journalists covering the Kohl visit that his delegation was impressed by the display of foreign weapons that Israel had found during the war in Lebanon.

Mertes, who is the ranking member in Kohl's party, told the journalists that Bonn would certainly take this dissemination of weapons into account when setting the terms for selling arms to Saudi Arabia. Bonn will want to make sure that West German arms do not leave Saudi Arabia, he explained.

But the senior West German government official reiterated at the same time that Bonn cannot allow this past to affect present West German interests and that the sale of arms to the Saudis was in his country's interest.

Mertes thus echoed a statement on Thursday by West German government spokesman Peter Bönisch who said that the terrible events of Auschwitz should not be exploited for political issues. Bonn extended sufficient aid to Israel when Israel was in need and the charges against Bonn by Israel are neither fair nor justified, Bönisch said.

Both Mertes and Bönisch repeated Kohl's statement that West German policy is determined in Bonn and not in Jerusalem.

Mertes made it a point to tell the West German journalists that Bonn will insist that Spain establish (Continued on back page)



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## U.S. plans for Jordan rapid strike unit still on

By WOLF BLITZER  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — U.S. officials have notified the Israeli government of their intention to revive plans for the Jordanian rapid deployment strike force, and to strengthen Jordan's air defence capabilities by selling it \$40 million worth of Stinger missiles.

The Americans have been exerting strong pressure on Israel to quietly go along with the strike force package — valued at over \$250 million.

U.S. funding would be part of a Defence Department supplemental budget, rather than of foreign aid legislation. U.S. economic and military assistance to Israel and most other countries is part of the foreign aid bill.

Israeli officials are anxious to avoid a full-scale confrontation with the Reagan administration during this presidential election year. "We don't want another AWACS fight," said one Israeli official referring to the 1981 battle over advanced surveillance aircraft to Saudi Arabia. The U.S. notification on its Jordanian plans was followed by word from the State and Defence Departments that \$250 million in approved U.S. military grants cannot be used in Israel for research and development of the Lavi aircraft.

The matter has touched off some deep irritation among Israeli officials here and Jerusalem, although they are still hoping that it can be resolved quietly.

The Israeli Embassy has not yet received instructions to bring the dispute to the attention of Israel's friends on Capitol Hill who last year pushed the \$250 million Lavi appropriation through Congress as part of the annual foreign aid bill.

The approved legislation said Israel could use \$250 million for Lavi-related "goods and services" in Israel.

The Pentagon drafted a legal opinion, presented to Israel, in recent days, that "goods and services" do not include research and development.

The State Department has now indicated to Israeli officials that its legal advisers agree with the Pentagon's interpretation.

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## Two suspects arrested at Kahane meeting TNT link presumed in foiled al-Aksa attack

By MICHAEL EILAN  
and ROBERT ROSENBERG

Security forces investigating a thwarted attack on the Aksa Mosque and the Dome of the Rock early Friday morning are treating the case as part of their inquiries into attacks attributed to the unidentified terrorist group known as TNT.

Last night, police arrested two men at a Saturday evening Bible lesson with Kach leader Rabbi Meir Kahane, apparently in connection with the plot, it is reported. Kahane said that at 10 p.m., eight plainclothes detectives entered Kach offices on Rehov Ussishkin in Jerusalem and checked the identity cards of all 40 persons present before arresting two of them.

Eighteen IDF-model grenades were found in and near the mosque plaza, together with over five kilograms of explosives. The ammunition was found after wafk (moslem trusteeship) guards discovered two men climbing over the eastern wall of the mosque compound near the Golden Gate compound at 2 a.m.

The amount of explosives and grenades indicated that the men were planning what police described as a "large-scale" attack

— possibly timed to coincide with Friday prayers, when the mosque area is usually full.

The policemen charged with investigating previous attacks attributed to TNT have been co-opted into a larger team investigating the latest attempt. The military police are helping to trace the IDF grenades.

TNT is an organization said to comprise Jews involved in a number of hostile acts against Moslems and Christians.

Police noted last night that no one had called either them or the news media to claim responsibility for the incident. But one Jerusalem police source said that such an attempt on the mosque would "without a doubt" cause the investigation into TNT to be intensified.

Interior Minister Yosef Burg last night strongly condemned the attempted attack, saying that it "contravened the basic principles of the state."

Burg promised that the police will "spare no effort" to catch the plotters, and that extra security for the Temple Mount area will be considered.

The Jerusalem Mufti Sa'ad e-Din Alami last night sent a telegram protesting the attack to Prime

Minister Yitzhak Shamir. Mayor Teddy Kolek is scheduled to call on Alami today.

The attempted attack was discovered by wafk guards who heard suspicious sounds from the eastern wall of the compound, which is also the eastern wall of the Old City. They called the police, who arrived on the scene with large forces.

Police found a box of army grenades and several knapsacks stuffed with explosives. Some of the ammunition was found inside the mosque compound, and some outside, under the walls. The men were apparently surprised by the wafk guards while moving the ammunition into the compound.

Outside the walls, police found a collapsible aluminum ladder, which the men apparently used to scale the outside wall.

The pair managed to escape without a trace. Police said that it was impossible to track them because of the rainstorm that hit the city at the time.

Yesterday morning, civilians walking in the area found three more grenades inside a canvas army water canteen holder. These grenades were found between the Golden Gate and St. Stephen's Gate, and police believe they may (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)

## No plan for 'preventive strike' on Saudis

The Government Press Office sought last night to rescind a statement by a senior government official that Israel might be forced to launch a "preventive strike" against Saudi Arabia.

Mattityahu Shmuelovitz, director-general of the Prime Minister's Office, was quoted by the German paper Die Welt as saying in an interview that the sale of German arms to the Saudis could have the effect of forcing Israel into making a preventive attack on that country.

Shmuelovitz was quoted by the press office as saying that he was replying to a hypothetical question. Efraim Lahav, Israel correspondent of Die Welt, told AP that he had taped the interview and could prove his version was accurate. According to Lahav, the conversation went as follows:

Q: Could the supply of arms to Saudi Arabia, or other Arab countries, place Israel in a position where it could deal a preventive blow?

A: Yes, this would place us in such a situation. I'm saying this as a personal opinion.

## Local authority workers strike today

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Some 70,000 local authority workers are to launch a general strike this morning. Only the most vital services will be provided to the public, the Histadrut announced yesterday.

Local Authorities Union Chairman Pinhas Eylon met with representatives of the large cities last night in a last-ditch effort to avert the strike.

Intensive efforts last week by the Histadrut and the Union of Local Authorities to find a solution for the

local authorities workers' wage demands failed.

"The entire country will be one huge garbage pile, stretching from Kiryat Shmona to Eilat," Eylon told The Jerusalem Post last week, commenting on the possibility of the strike.

The local authority workers are demanding a wage rise for the lower grade employees.

But local authorities said they could not give the rise so soon after signing the overall wage agreement with the government.

## French troops take control of expanded zone in Chad

PARIS (Reuters). — French soldiers in Chad took control of their expanded area of operations yesterday with a helicopter reconnaissance mission over the new surveillance zone, the Defence Ministry said.

In a communiqué, the ministry said the troops encountered "no hostile presence" as they braved sandstorms to reconnoitre the new zone beneath a defence line flanking the Chad government outposts of Ouni Chaouba and Koro Toro.

France moved its troops farther north in Chad on Friday and ordered them to engage any hostile

forces in the area after a French Jaguar was shot down and its pilot killed during a clash with an attacking column on Wednesday.

Military analysts in Paris said the move brought the 3,000-man French force supporting the government troops of Chad President Hissene Habre into range of direct contact with the Libyan-backed rebels of former Chad president Goukouni Oueddei.

They said the new security line could be reached by Libyan fighters based in Libya and in the contested Aouzou strip.

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## Youth, 17, killed in Nablus protest

By DAVID RICHARDSON  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A 17-year-old Arab youth was shot dead yesterday morning by a Border Policeman during a violent demonstration in Nablus. Later in the day two other youths were wounded when a Border Police officer opened fire at a crowd which had gathered to protest against the death of the youth earlier in the day.

The first incident occurred around 10 o'clock when a Border Police patrol was attacked by a crowd of youths in the centre of the city. An Israel Defence Forces spokesman last night said that the patrol was attacked with stones and that the commander of the patrol opened fire after the crowd refused to disperse, even ignoring several warning shots fired into the air.

Nasser Sarisi was shot and seriously wounded, and died later after being taken for medical treatment by the patrol. The IDF is investigating.

The cause of yesterday's demonstration is not clear, but local sources suggested that it might have been prompted by reports of an attempt to attack the Dome of the Rock and Al-Aksa mosque in Jerusalem on Friday morning.

Another possibility is mounting opposition in the town to the impending visit of PLO leader Yasser Arafat to Jordan. Nablus has always been one of the centres of radical Palestinian nationalism in the West Bank and students at the town's Najah University yesterday held a rally to protest against Arafat's planned talks with King Hussein.

Following the shooting and death of Sarisi, tension mounted in Nablus and youths continued to stone security forces and local stores, trying to force a commercial strike. Towards 4 o'clock another Border Police patrol was attacked by scores of youths in the central Clock Square.

After the crowd ignored calls to disperse and several warning shots fired into the air, the local Border Police commander fired at the crowd, wounding two youths in the legs. Their condition is unknown.

Security sources said later that Sarisi had been detained several times in the past on suspicion of incitement and that a knife was found on him after he was shot.

The centre of Nablus and the market were placed under curfew, which was lifted later last night.

## Bank to send Levinson file to A-G

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Bank Hapoalim's board of directors and management decided on Friday to forward to Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir all the material suggesting that its former boss, Ya'acov Levinson, may have committed criminal offences.

The decision was adopted unanimously after directors Amiram Sivan and Shraga Rothman presented their findings. Sivan and Rothman had been assigned to the investigation about half a year ago — with Levinson's consent.

The bank is now expected to go over its material to decide what could be a violation of Israeli law and The Jerusalem Post was told several issues will be reviewed.

One of these concerns transfers between the bank and one of its subsidiaries abroad. According to an unconfirmed report it involved Bank Hapoalim's branch in Zurich.

Rothman and Sivan had questioned Levinson and Haim Bergstein, former head of the

bank's International and Foreign Exchange Division about those transfers. But Levinson and Bergstein refused to tell the directors about them, claiming they were bound by bank secrecy rules.

Another issue to be investigated is the sale of bank assets at cheap rates to its American subsidiary, Ampal.

The Histadrut's holding company, Hevrat Ha'ovdim, said it had not lost control over any of its assets through those sales. But press reports said the transfers benefited American shareholders because of the way profits were divided.

So far, the bank has defended the sales to Ampal. In the statement it issued on Friday it said these transactions were designed to advance "important bank and state interests and the results were really impressive."

Ampal shares shot up within a few months of the sale and the bank said that "on the whole" it cannot be assumed it seriously suffered from those activities. "There is

reason to believe the opposite is true," it added.

Nevertheless, the bank did not rule out the possibility that it may have suffered from Levinson's dealings. In Friday's statement it threatened legal action to recoup damages to it or any of its corporations "if, at any time, the bank should discover it...had suffered."

Friday's decision to forward material to the attorney-general was taken following pressure from the Histadrut Central Committee and members of Hevrat Ha'ovdim's managing committee.

According to leaks from these meetings the bank and Hevrat Ha'ovdim leadership argued in favour of continuing the internal investigation, maintaining the bank had withstood pressure to conceal material and was boldly moving ahead.

But Secretary-General Yeroham Meshel reportedly argued he needed some decisions on firmer action before today's meeting of the Histadrut Executive. The Executive includes Likud members.

## What a beautiful place for a plot

## Argentines luxuriate across the border

PUNTA DEL ESTE, Uruguay — If it is true, as has been reported, that a group of ex-army officers and businessmen are plotting here to destabilize the Alfonsín government in Argentina, they have certainly chosen the nicest possible place in which to plot.

The fresh breeze and playful breakers rolling in from the Atlantic side of this peninsula would drown out the sound of the plotters' conversation.

Indeed, the section of beach favoured by the military holidaymakers, and discreetly avoided by the others, is on the Atlantic side of Punta del Este.

But for more serene and private plotting they could take a sailing boat out on the smooth waters of the River Plate side.

And at cocktail time, the clink of crystal and burr of fashionable patter at parties in elegant villas and on undulating, manicured lawns is another convenient milieu for treacherous get-togethers.

In town, the restaurants and discotheques hum with noise and

By DAVID LANDAU/Jerusalem Post Correspondent

gaiety long into the night. Vacationers — the plotters among them — throng the pavements. Time is not important in Punta del Este, but Bank Leumi's clock, with its aleph-bet face high above the main street, offers a free service for the strollers.

The image of moustachioed, pot-bellied plotters deep in conclave while their Gucci-gowned wives and bikini-clad daughters besport themselves in this fabulous Riviera-type resort seems, to a bemused outside observer, to symbolize somehow the tragicomic dissonances of Argentine political life.

Sand and sea notwithstanding, the charges of plotting and subversion are laid in deadly earnest. A leading Peronist deputy, Adan Pedrini, was to have met on Friday with Interior Minister Antonio Troccoli to discuss the evidence he believes he has.

Pedrini has spoken of "some 40 or 50 retired military officers,

together with some businessmen and bankers," who, he says, are plotting a destabilization campaign to begin in March. A recent spate of violent incidents in a provincial city is a harbinger, he says, of things to come.

He warns that "at the first hint of a coup, three million Argentines will take to the streets of Buenos Aires to protect the president, regardless of whether we agree with his policies or not, because we have the greatness of spirit to recognize that he is the legitimate president of Argentina."

It is too early to know whether this lofty statement of democratic loyalty truly represents prevalent opinion in the defeated and leaderless Peronist party.

On the one hand, a group of prominent Peronist deputies is proposing a "national covenant" with the ruling Radicals — an emergency moratorium on opposition politics while the government

tackles the economic morass.

On the other hand, many Peronists, among them members of this same group, are fighting tooth-and-nail against President Raul Alfonsín's moves to democratize the trade unions. And there are rumours that a million men will take to the streets if Alfonsín's measures get through the Radical-run Chamber of Deputies and reach the Senate, where a handful of independents hold the balance.

"Alfonsín is in the presidential palace, but he's not yet president," says Peronist maverick Patricio Kelly, sprawled in his deck-chair in Punta del Este.

Many politically aware Argentines agree with that sentiment. They admire — indeed marvel at — the brisk resoluteness and bold determination Alfonsín has shown so far. He is vigorously attacking Argentina's triple-headed hydra: inflation, the army, and the unions.

But each of them could yet strike back and swallow him up, and (Continued on Page 3)

## Peace Now nominated for Nobel prize

Jerusalem Post Staff

Four members of the Swedish parliament have nominated the Peace Now movement for the Nobel Peace Prize.

The four — Thure Jädestig, Olle Svensson, Oskar Lindkvist, and Nils Goesta Signell — are all Social Democrats.

In a telegram to The Jerusalem Post, they explained that they "consider the Peace Now movement to be one of the most important elements in the fostering of a dialogue which could lead to peace between Israelis and Arabs."

They added that "a solution to the conflict between Israel and the Arabs may also contribute to a lessening of tensions between the superpowers."

According to Labour Party sources, Social Democratic parliamentarians in West Germany, Holland, France and Great Britain have also nominated Peace Now for the prize.

## Bloody week on the roads: 18 killed, 74 badly injured

Last week was a bad one on Israel's roads: 18 persons were killed and 74 seriously injured in 121 major accidents. The first 27 days of January saw 60 traffic deaths, a rate much higher than that of the last several years.

Half of those killed and 49 of the seriously injured were pedestrians, and of these three of the dead and 21 of the injured were minors. Prime causes cited by police were failure to obey stop signs, failure to yield the right of way to pedestrians and sudden swerving from traffic lanes.

In one of the worst accidents, which took place on the coastal road Thursday night near Kibbutz Yakum, Rafael Nissim, 56, and his son Eli, 38, were killed after their pick-up truck crashed into the rear of a truck which had slowed down because of an engine problem. The truck driver felt the impact, but then drove away from the scene. He was apprehended 15 minutes later by a policeman.

Seriously injured in the crash were Nissim's wife Zuhara, 54, and

another son Benny, 12. They were hospitalized at Meir Hospital in Kfar Sava. Another daughter, 14, and a son, 19, were slightly injured and taken to Laniado Hospital in Netanya. The 19-year-old son, a soldier, was driving the vehicle.

One more person was moderately injured and four vehicles were badly damaged in a multiple-car crash nearby amid the traffic jam which developed after the accident.

In another major mishap, 39 residents of Kabul village in Galilee were injured, some of them seriously, when the bus in which they were riding to work overturned near Ahituv on Friday. The crash occurred when an oncoming semitrailer swerved to the left, struck the bus and forced it off the road and over a guard rail into a ditch.

On Friday morning, the driver of a private vehicle was killed when it collided with a bus near Gaza. Barada al-Dib Huzandar, 34, was killed instantly when he swerved from his lane and hit the oncoming bus head-on on a bridge. (Itim)



## The weather at major Swissair destinations

	26.1.84	MIN	MAX	
AMSTERDAM	4	25	36	Cloudy
BRUSSELS	3	27	38	Rain
BUEENOS AIRES	23	23	30	Rain
CHICAGO	4	25	37	Cloudy
COPENHAGEN	0	32	34	Snow
FRANKFURT	0	21	37	Snow
GENEVA	3	27	39	Cloudy
HELSINKI	3	27	32	Snow
HONG KONG	10	30	34	Cloudy
JOHANNESBURG	23	23	31	Clear
LISBON	4	28	37	Cloudy
LONDON	2	28	38	Rain
MADRID	2	28	38	Clear
MONTREAL	2	28	37	Snow
NEW YORK	2	28	38	Clear
OSLO	11	12	14	Cloudy
PARIS	3	28	38	Cloudy
RIO DE JANEIRO	19	26	30	Cloudy
SAO PAULO	17	23	27	Rain
STOCKHOLM	19	23	27	Snow
TOKYO	6	32	34	Cloudy
TORONTO	0	32	34	Cloudy
VINNA	2	28	38	Clear
ZURICH	3	27	38	Cloudy

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### THE WEATHER

Forecast: Partly cloudy to clear

	Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
	Humidity	Min-Max	Max
Jerusalem	73	2-9	11
Haifa	73	2-9	11
Nahariya	73	2-9	11
Safed	45	1-6	8
Haifa Port	67	9-16	17
Tiberias	74	6-15	17
Nazareth	62	4-12	14
Afula	58	9-16	18
Shimon	54	-12	14
Tel Aviv	50	10-16	17
B-G Airport	55	6-16	18
Jericho	65	8-18	19
Gaza	58	11-16	17
Beer-Sheva	68	6-14	16
Eilat	40	11-18	20

### Israeli envoy presents credentials in Dublin

**Jerusalem Post Correspondent**  
LONDON. — Yehuda Avner, Israel's ambassador in London, presented his credentials in Dublin on Thursday to the president of the Irish Republic, Patrick Hillery. Avner hopes to visit Dublin three or four times a year in order to improve relations between Israel and Ireland and encourage two-way trade. Ireland is one of the less friendly countries towards Israel within the EEC.

### Shamir holds talks with French official

**Post Diplomatic Correspondent**  
Francis Guttman, the director-general of the French Foreign Ministry, held conversations with Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir on Friday during the course of a half-day visit before flying on to Amman. Guttman, who accompanied by Marc Bonnefous, the previous French ambassador to Israel, will proceed to Damascus today from Amman. The main focus of the meeting with Shamir was on ideas to solve the problem of Lebanon. Bonnefous is now head of the North Africa and Middle East division of the French Foreign Ministry.

### Mother of nine, 45, murdered in Galilee

**BEIT JANN (Iltim).** — A 45-year-old mother of nine was shot in cold blood in her home in this Galilee village on Friday morning. Police believe the killer or killers, who broke into the house while the woman and her family slept, were motivated by a desire to "protect family honour."

The victim, Muhala Mandu, reportedly ran away from her former husband two years ago and lived with another man, who was also married. Eventually, after the intervention of both families, they were separated, and the woman was divorced before marrying a third man, from Beit Jann, with whom she lived until her death. By Friday, police had arrested four suspects and expected to detain several more.

### Grenade fired at Israeli office in Sidon

**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
METULLA. — A rocket-propelled grenade was fired at the headquarters of the Israeli civilian aid unit in Sidon on Friday night. No one was hurt. IDF forces sealed off the area, conducted searches and made arrests.

### WELCOME BACK TO ISRAEL

Dr. Morris Mandel  
Columnist for the  
Jewish Press in New York.  
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are pleased to announce the marriage of their children

### Irish and Benjamin

The wedding took place in the family circle.

## HOME NEWS

### Heavy security as Kohl visits Old City shrines

**By MICHAEL EILAN**  
**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
Protected by hundreds of anxious guards and policemen, West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl yesterday pressed the flesh through the winding alleys of Jerusalem's Old City.

A smiling Kohl shook hands with passers-by throughout an extended four-hour tour of the holy sites. As he made his way through the city, policemen cleared most of the people from the alleys.

Security has been heavy since Kohl arrived in the country on Tuesday last week. But it was particularly evident in the Old City — especially since police and security personnel knew of the aborted attack on the Aksha mosque early Friday morning. Kohl and his entourage entered the Temple Mount compound through the Gate of the Chains. They were met by the Mufti of Jerusalem, Sa'ad ed-din El-Alami, and were taken to the Dome of the Rock and Aksha mosques.

Kohl started his tour at Jaffa Gate, went to the Holy Sepulchre, the Lutheran Church, a Russian church, through the Jewish Quarter for a view of the Western Wall, and from there to the mosque. Later he visited St. Anne's church and the Dormition monastery. In the evening, after the sabbath, he visited the Western Wall. At the Lutheran Church, Kohl was met by a group of demonstrators with placards in German protesting against the sale of German arms to Saudi Arabia.

Kohl, saying he was praying for Middle East peace, on Friday visited sites where Jesus and Mary are said to have walked in Galilee. The West German leader, a Roman Catholic, was guided by local priests through the Church of the Annunciation in Nazareth, where Christian teaching says the Angel Gabriel first announced to Mary that she would bear a child. Kohl also visited Kibbutz Ginosar, where the late Yigal Alon is buried.



Australian Foreign Minister Bill Hayden meets with Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir on Friday in Jerusalem. (Yitzhak Harari)

### Sharon misled cabinet on Beirut advance, new book says

Immediately after the cease-fire declared in Lebanon on June 11, 1982, then defence minister Ariel Sharon signed an understanding with Phalangist leader Bashir Jemayel on linking up IDF forces with the militias in Beirut, according to a new book on the war. The Israeli Army then continued to advance, despite the truce, and two days later, entered Beirut, without authorization from the government. Highlights of the book, by Ha'aretz military correspondent Ze'ev Schiff and Israel Television reporter Ehud Ya'ari, appeared in Ha'aretz on Friday. Yediot Aharanot printed in its weekend edition excerpts from another soon-to-be-released book on the war, this one by Israel Radio political reporter Shimon Shiffer. Based on hundreds of interviews

and documents, Schiff and Ya'ari's book claims that only hours before his June 11 meeting with Jemayel, Sharon told the cabinet that no IDF units had been ordered to link up with the Phalangists. He also said, the book claims, that he had refused to see liaison officers from the Christian force, but in reality, one was already accompanying a paratroop unit advancing towards Beirut. The day before, according to the book, Sharon explicitly told the cabinet that the IDF force was not to enter Beirut, but even as he spoke, contrary instructions were being issued. The Shiffer book says that the decision to enter West Beirut was taken on June 12 at a closed meeting between Begin, Sharon and Eitan, who resolved to ask for full

cabinet approval only at the last possible minute. Excerpts from the Shiffer book dealt more with Sharon's pre-war plans: five months before the war, for instance, the minister is quoted as saying that he had "pinned down" the Phalangist leaders at a meeting with them concerning plans for coordinated military action. A month before that, according to Shiffer, Sharon had unveiled plans to U.S. envoys Philip Habib and Morris Draper concerning an entry into Lebanon to strike a blow at the terrorists. They immediately wired Washington, asking then secretary of state Alexander Haig to apply pressure to halt the slippage towards war. But in a conversation two weeks into the war, Haig is quoted as showing understanding of Israel's

expectation that it would have to enter West Beirut, and urging then premier Menachem Begin to "finish the job" as quickly as possible, preferably through use of Lebanese forces opposed to the PLO. Yediot also reported that the war nearly began in May 1982, a month before its actual start, when two Israelis were shot to death outside Paris. Sharon reported told U.S. Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger that if it turned out that the PLO was responsible, Israel would enter Lebanon. But the incident proved to be of criminal background. In another reported conversation, Bashir Jemayel is quoted as telling IDF officers who were confiscating Phalangist weapons in Aley that then chief of staff Rafael Eitan would return the arms to them in Jounieh.

### Experts, officials discuss Negev water pollution issues

**By LIORA MORIEL**  
**Jerusalem Post Reporter**

**BEERSHEBA.** — A third water pipeline to the Negev, to be completed within four years, will carry 90 million cubic metres of treated sewage water from the greater Dan area in the central region, an official from Israel's water authority said here on Wednesday. Zvi Grunwald was speaking at a symposium on the use of water sources in the Negev and pollution prevention at the Ben-Gurion university of the Negev.

A panel discussion on pollution disclosed that there is very little monitoring of the nation's streams. Potentially harmful effects of industrial waste flowing into Negev wadis have not fully been assessed. Nature Reserves Authority botanist Netta Or, a resident of the Arava, claimed that water in the area contains a dangerously high level of nitrates said to be hazardous to babies. But Hadassa Adan of the Health Ministry assured her that

"the quality of drinking water in the Negev is the highest in the country."

Nevertheless, the panel agreed that poorly treated industrial wastes flowing into streams, as well as haphazard army sewage and illegal quarrying, make the situation potentially dangerous in the long run, even if there are no poisons in the water today. Yekutiel Navon, an adviser to the Environmental Protection Service, said that the only way to force industry to comply with environmental guidelines is to strictly enforce business licensing laws.

But Adan pointed out that the laws are not applicable to such giant polluters as the Makhteshim chemical plant in Beersheba, which has been operating for 30 years without licence. "This is a very serious problem. The plant received money specifically to build all its installations at Ramat Hovav, but it has failed to do so," she said.

### Mubarak will go to Zaire during African visit

**CAIRO (Reuters).** — Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak begins an eight-day tour of four African states on Tuesday aimed at strengthening economic and military ties on the continent. Mubarak, accompanied by Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali and Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Boutros Ghali, will first visit Zaire before going on to Kenya, Somalia and Tanzania. (President Chaim Herzog on Thursday

returned from an eight-day state visit to Zaire and Liberia.) Diplomatic sources here said Mubarak's talks with Zaire's President Mobutu Sese Seko and Somali leader Mohamed Siad Barre would focus mainly on military and economic cooperation. Egypt has provided military aid to Zaire in the past and Zaire has been a strong supporter of Egypt's Middle East and African policies.

### Three Americans win Wolf chemistry prize

The Wolf Foundation has announced that three U.S. university professors will share the foundation's \$100,000 1983/84 chemistry prize for their work in magnetic resonance spectroscopy. Professors Herbert Gutowsky of the University of Illinois, Harden McConnell of Stanford University and John Waugh of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology will be presented their awards in May by President Chaim Herzog in a ceremony at the Knesset.

**SETTLEMENT.** — Jewish Agency settlement department head Matiyahu Drobles is soon to submit to the cabinet a five-year plan to settle 5,000 families in the Arava.

### ALAKSA ATTACK

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have been dropped by the two men when they ran away. Shortly after the grenades and explosives were found, police arrested two men — one of them a reserve army officer. But they were released a short while later after police said it was proven that they had nothing to do with the attack. Had Friday morning's attack succeeded, the explosives could have caused a great deal of damage to the holy buildings, and the number of grenades indicates that the two men planned to attack people, as well. The mood in East Jerusalem was very tense yesterday. Police — pos-

sibly fearing riots after Friday prayers and before West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's visit to the mosque yesterday — released no reports on Friday, and all that the East Jerusalemites knew came from the Arab radio and television stations. Maurice Zilka, Kolk's adviser on East Jerusalem, said last night that he hopes the Arabs will trust the Israeli security forces to conduct an energetic and thorough investigation into the attack. Strongly condemning the attempt, he pointed out that in recent times, "Jews, not Arabs, have been provoking the great tension around the city's holy places."



U.S. Secretary of Agriculture John Block (left) arrives last night at Ben-Gurion Airport for a two-day visit at the invitation of Agriculture Minister Pessah Grupper (centre). The two are to discuss ways to increase cooperation, including raising U.S. grants for agricultural research here and the establishment of a free-trade zone. (IPPA)

### Ambushed PWD worker buried in Safad

**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
**SAFAD.** — Thousands of Safad residents on Friday attended the funeral of Public Works Department employee Aharon Ovadia, 48, who was killed by terrorists in Lebanon on Thursday. The death was reported in our late edition on Friday. Deputy Prime Minister David Levy said at the graveside that the Syrians were indirectly responsible for Ovadia's death, since they gave the terrorists help.

Also at the funeral were Alignment MK Aharon Nahmias and Safad Mayor Ze'ev Perl. Two other Public Works employees were wounded in the ambush, near Ansar in Southern Lebanon. Several days before he was killed, Ovadia, a 29-year veteran of the PWD, got the Israel Defence Forces' Peace for Galilee medal for his work in Lebanon over the last two years. He leaves a wife and three children.

### Quick trial asked in father-daughter rape case

**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
**BEERSHEBA.** — Police have asked the district court here to quickly try a rape case involving a 53-year-old member of the Azazma Beduin tribe nearby. The man is accused of raping his 17-year-old daughter and police say that meanwhile she is living in fear. The suspect was remanded in custody for 23 days on January 6 and must be brought to trial or released today. Police say that the offence was committed last October, near the Tze'elim Forest. Afterwards, it is claimed, the man threatened his daughter with a knife, saying: "If you tell anyone, I will slaughter you the way a sheep is slaughtered, and bury you in the desert." The state further claims that on January 1, the accused awakened his daughter at home and again tried to rape her. The girl escaped to the home of her brother in Ramat Beka, 16 kilometres south of here, and went with him to the Beersheba police station.

### IDF gets Shemtov file from Grunzweig team

Investigators of the murder of Emil Grunzweig on Friday passed on the file of suspected accessory David Shemtov to the Israel Defence Forces prosecutor. Shemtov is to be indicted today. Shemtov was arrested two weeks ago on suspicion of stealing grenades from the base where he served and selling them to others, including murder suspect Yona Avrusimki. Grunzweig was killed in a grenade explosion during a Peace Now demonstration outside the Prime Minister's Office last February 10. (Iltim)

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### Smithsonian rejects exhibits; Israel Museum cancels tour

**By WOLF BLITZER**  
**Jerusalem Post Correspondent**  
WASHINGTON. — The Smithsonian Institution has rejected the Israel Museum's decision to include items from the Rockefeller Museum in East Jerusalem in a planned 320-piece exhibit in Washington. As a result, the entire exhibit, scheduled to open in May, has now been cancelled, two years after a similar flap involving the New York Metropolitan Museum.

Smithsonian officials said it is their policy not to display objects when the ownership is in question. At the time, the New York museum cited "security" concerns. The Washington Jewish Week quoted Philip Hughes, undersecretary of the institution, as saying there had been protests against the exhibit from several Arab countries, including Egypt, and from UNESCO. "There was a dispute as to ownership of these items from the Rockefeller Museum, which was under Jordanian control for some time," he said. Israeli officials, however, said the 11 items — mainly carvings and statues — belong to the

Rockefeller Museum, which was Jordan. All of the objects, they said, had been part of the Museum before Jordan took control of East Jerusalem in 1948. They insisted that their inclusion in the exhibit is important. The Smithsonian, a U.S. governmental museum, had planned to sponsor a nationwide tour of the Israeli exhibit following its initial display in Washington. The tour would have continued for two years. An Israel Embassy spokesman suggested that Saudi Arabia had successfully pressured the Smithsonian into rejecting the Rockefeller pieces.

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**Rabbi SOLOMON (Zalman) REICHMAN** 57

The funeral took place last night.

The Family

Shiva at the home of the son, Rehov Melachi 18, Jerusalem

In sorrow and pain we announce the passing of a dear friend and loving mother

**JUDITH KAROLIN ADINI** 57

nee Markus

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A year has passed since the passing of my dear husband, our father and grandfather

**LUDWIG LEVY** 57

A memorial service will be held on Monday, January 30, 1984 at 3.30 p.m. at the Kfar Samir cemetery, Haifa.

Transport will be available from 66 Hatishbi St. at 3 p.m.

The Family

### Pope asked to probe Vatican aid to Nazi criminals

**NEW YORK (AP).** — An American Jewish leader on Thursday asked Pope John Paul II to order an independent investigation into allegations that the Vatican helped Nazis escape prosecution after World War II. Julius Berman, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, told the pope in a telegram that he was "deeply disturbed by the report

of cooperation by the Holy See" in the alleged escape efforts. He cited a report in The New York Times on Thursday which quoted a French Nazi-hunter as saying that Walter Rauff, a former SS colonel sought in the gassing of Jews, was sheltered in Vatican convents for 18 months after the war. (See story p.3) The Times also discussed a secret 1947 U.S. State Department report which said the Vatican was "the largest single organization involved in the illegal movement of immigrants," including Nazis. "We respectfully suggest that you order an appropriate and independent investigation of the Vatican's own records of that period to determine what role if any was played by members of the Catholic hierarchy in the illegal emigration of Nazis following World War II," Berman said. Berman noted that U.S. President Ronald Reagan ordered a similar probe into American involvement with the escape of Nazi war criminal

Klaus Barbie, and upon confirmation of the American role, apologized to the French government. "We submit that the Vatican can do no less," Berman said. Meanwhile, in Washington, a federal judge on Friday revoked the naturalized citizenship of a 61-year-old man who the Justice Department said murdered unarmed civilians in the Ukraine during World War II. The order set the stage for the deportation of George Theodorovich, of Troy, New York, who failed to appear at two pre-trial hearings last month. The request for deportation, filed last August, was based in part on police reports Theodorovich allegedly wrote, signed and dated that described the shooting of Jews in the Ukrainian city of Lvov in August 1942, when Theodorovich was 19 years old. In Chicago, a former Nazi death camp guard who faces possible

deportation was "shaken" to learn he has been relieved of his job as chief custodian at a suburban school district, the superintendent says. Reinhold Kulle, who has acknowledged he was a guard but said he had virtually no contact with prisoners, had worked for Oak Park-River Forest School District 200 for 25 years. In Paris, a petition to free Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie was rejected on Thursday night by France's highest court of appeals, which ruled that the charges against Barbie are legal. Barbie's defence lawyer had contended that the crimes against humanity charge for his activities as the top Gestapo official in Lyon during World War II was introduced only in 1964 and could not be retroactively applied to Barbie. But the court ruled that the law was introduced specifically for Nazi war criminals and has no statute of limitations.



## MDA to use paramedics if no doctors available

By MOSHE KOHN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

In an effort to alleviate the shortage of doctors staffing Magen David Adom (MDA) ambulances, the Health Ministry has authorized the MDA to staff ambulances in the Tel Aviv region experimentally with specially trained paramedics when doctors are not available.

If the experiment succeeds, ministry director-general Prof. Baruch Modan told *The Jerusalem Post*, the MDA will be permitted to make the use of paramedics a permanent feature of its service nationwide. The shortage is especially critical with regard to the MDA's Mobile Intensive Care Units (MICU).

The use of paramedics, MDA national spokesman Moshe Dayan and the head of MDA-Jerusalem, Haim Vigolik, told *The Post*, "will go a long way towards preventing" situations like the following one in which this reporter was recently involved.

Early one morning, a woman in the Ramat Eshkol quarter of Jerusalem phoned MDA to say that her husband was having a heart attack. The duty clerk, following the standard procedure, asked for the symptoms and the man's age. On the basis of the woman's description, the duty doctor decided that this case was less urgent than the one that MDA-Jerusalem's single operating Mobile Intensive Care Unit was just then dealing with, and he dispatched a regular ambulance.

Arriving at the scene, the ambulance crew saw that the man's heart had stopped beating and summoned the MICU, which came

promptly. According to the station's diary, 21 minutes passed between the woman's call and the arrival of the intensive-care ambulance.

This is considered not unreasonable in view of all the circumstances. However, if there was any chance of saving the man, the preliminary efforts of the crew of the regular ambulance were not enough and the MICU arrived too late. The MICU crew got his heart beating again, but meanwhile he had suffered severe brain damage and he died after lingering in a coma for a few days.

The family decided to commemorate the memory of their deceased husband and father by donating a Mobile Intensive Care Unit to MDA-Jerusalem. This reporter investigated the matter for them. It seems it is not so simple.

To acquire and fully equip a MICU costs \$50,000. This is not a puny sum, to be sure, but "the problem isn't a shortage of such ambulances," Vigolik and Dayan told me.

The "real problem" is the cost of having a MICU ready to spring into action 24 hours a day (in four shifts), 365 days a year. The annual maintenance cost per unit is the equivalent of about \$245,000, or about \$680 day. This covers the maintenance of the ambulance and its equipment; the salaries of its crew of three — a specialist doctor, a paramedic, and a driver trained in certain basic first-aid and resuscitation techniques; the replacement of drugs that age; and the estimated cost of replacing the drugs and one-time accessories used in a resuscitation effort (about \$5,000 per treat-

ment as of last week).

It is relatively easy — both Vigolik and Dayan noted this truism of philanthropy — to get benefactors to donate such "plaqueable" gifts as buildings, rooms, ambulances, and large items of equipment. Getting contributions for use and maintenance is another matter.

(Vigolik pointed out incidentally that ambulances — with their plaques — are normally retired after five years at most.)

The family referred to above were ready to undertake to raise money to maintain a Mobile Intensive Care Unit for a fixed period. "But," Vigolik said, "what will I do when that period expires? I don't want to announce today that Jerusalem has two units, and then, three months from now, say, 'sorry, now we have only one'."

The family has since agreed to underwrite another project suggested by Vigolik.

Magen David Adom today has a MICU at each of 13 locations throughout the country: Kiryat Shmona, Nahariya, Afula, Tiberias, Haifa, Netanya, Herzliya-Kfar Sava, Tel Aviv, Gush Dan, Petah Tikva, Holon-Bat Yam, Rehovot, and Jerusalem. A unit is expected to be installed soon at Beersheba.

Each MICU location also has a fully equipped reserve intensive-care unit standing by, in the event that the main unit breaks down. But not a second crew. Explained Dayan: "Even if we had enough money, there aren't enough qualified doctors willing to do this work." A "qualified doctor" here means one who has experience in treating cardio-pulmonary failure

and various other problems requiring intensive care, who is currently working at a hospital, and who has the time and desire to put in shifts at Magen David Adom.

Sometime ago, MDA asked the Health Ministry to permit it to use paramedics instead of doctors where necessary "as is done in the U.S." Finally, as noted, the ministry has approved an experiment in this direction.

Vigolik pointed to something else that would alleviate the problem — more public participation in the various courses given by the MDA, such as the one in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation. "These courses," Vigolik said, "will not yet turn you into a paramedic, but at least, instead of panicking, you will know how to administer a few first-aid measures, and you will be able to describe the stricken person's symptoms more intelligently to the Magen Adom personnel."

One result of participation in such courses is the action taken by a group of neighbours, mostly immigrants from the West, in a relatively heavily-populated apartment building in Jerusalem. Following the death by heart attack of a few neighbours whom help did not reach in time, they have decided to buy jointly certain basic resuscitation and other first-aid equipment, which several of them will learn to operate and apply in emergencies until professional help comes.

Meanwhile, Vigolik said, "our intensive-care unit gets to about 90 per cent of the cases in time to do all it can. Under the circumstances, thank God for that."

## Teachers warn school cuts may lead to more violence

By LEA LEVAVI  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Cuts in the education budget may increase violence in the schools, Yehoshua Karni, secretary of the Histadrut Teachers Union's Bat Yam chapter, told *The Jerusalem Post*. If there are fewer support personnel (counselors, psychologists, treatment teachers, etc.) to work with children who have problems in school, these children will be more likely to take out their frustrations on their fellow pupils, teachers or school property, Karni said.

"We think we are saving money, but it will simply mean more prisons, reformatories and policemen later," he added.

He said that because of the economic situation, many parents do not buy their children schoolbooks and can no longer provide all the toys and entertainment the children used to enjoy. Both children and parents may take these frustrations out on the school, he said.

Orit Dunskey, head of the Elementary School Teachers Association within the Histadrut Teachers Un-

ion, said the decision to save money by not hiring paid substitute teachers might also increase violence and vandalism. Whole classes can roam the school idly if their teacher is absent and no alternative (such as a teachers' college student, national service volunteer, or woman soldier/teacher) is available. Idle children can get into fights, or "have fun" vandalizing property, Dunskey said.

The teachers also complained that the law protects parents' and children's rights more than those of teachers. There is a long list of actions forbidden to teachers, including striking children, insulting or scolding them, and even writing negative comments on them in the record book.

If teachers think that a child who disturbs the class should be transferred to a special school, the transfer is not possible (even if a psychological diagnosis justifies it) without the parent's signature. Children covered by the compulsory education law (through 10th grade) can be sent home from school only with the approval of the school inspector and, as one teacher put it, "10 committees."

## Laniado, in deep deficit, closes emergency ward

NETANYA. — The emergency ward at Laniado Hospital here was ordered closed on Friday afternoon by the hospital's board of trustees in the U.S. The hospital alleged that the Health Ministry has been delinquent in payments which have led to a deficit of over \$19 million.

In cables to the hospital's director and to Magen David Adom, the board said it was compelled to close the ward because the hospital can no longer afford to run it. A hospital spokesman said the hospital would not ask for any more help from the ministry and would operate within the limits of available resources.

This may mean that additional departments will have to be closed.

The board is particularly angry at Health Minister Eliezer Shostak who, during a visit to the U.S., had promised aid for the hospital. The board now feels that Shostak has gone back on his word and that their efforts to provide health services to 35,000 residents of Netanya and the surrounding areas are not appreciated by the government.

Yitzhak Shomron, a senior adviser to Shostak, said that the Knesset Finance Committee has approved \$15 million for Laniado, which will soon be forthcoming.

## Tel Aviv jeweller, 75, found dead in store

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Jewelry store owner Yehoshua Lichtenstein, 75, was found lying dead in a pool of blood on the floor of his shop Friday morning. Police believe he was killed during a robbery, but it was not clear yesterday what had been stolen.

A municipal worker arrived at the shop, on 90 Allenby Street, at 9 a.m. and found Lichtenstein on the floor bleeding from a head wound.

Lichtenstein opened the shop at about 7 a.m. Friday. His wife was due to arrive at 9 a.m. to help him. But before she arrived, the municipal worker found Lichten-

stein and called police.

Two young masked men armed with pistols, who were seen getting into a taxi at 10 a.m. not far from the jewelry shop, were arrested by police. But by yesterday evening there was still no evidence linking the two with any robbery or with Lichtenstein's death. Tel Aviv police spokesman Adi Gonen said.

**DIPLOMAS.** — Eighty-five graduates of various vocational courses received certificates at a ceremony on Thursday in the Arab village of Safit near Tulkarm in Judea, in the presence of the military governor.

## ARGENTINIANS LUXURIATE

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democracy with him.

The names of Arturo Frondizi and Arturo Illia, two well-meaning, democratic presidents in Argentina's recent history who tried and failed, come up in every conversation.

"But there's a big difference this time," says a well-known Jewish intellectual, Eliahu Tocker, hopefully. "Alfonso is their disciple, but he has learned very carefully from their mistakes."

The main thing, Tocker says, is to react fast, and not to let freedom degenerate into free-for-all. Thus, when a bomb went off at the central Buenos Aires synagogue on Libertad Street last week, Alfonsín moved at once to step up security at this and other Jewish institutions.

If there is to be a deliberate attempt by pro-military circles to destabilize the country and thereby subvert the democratic government, anti-Semitism is bound to be one of the instruments they use.

Herman Schiller, controversial left-wing editor of the leading Jewish newspaper, *Nueva Presencia*, predicts "a wave" of anti-Semitic incidents. Paradoxically, he notes, anti-Semitic street violence was carefully curbed by the junta regimes, despite the army's inbred hatred of Jews, "because they wanted to be okay with the U.S."

Now, he says, rightist fanatics meet regularly in Alberti Street in Buenos Aires, and denounce the government as a puppet of "the Zionists, the Communists and the Freemasons."

At present, says Schiller, given the government's popularity, "conditions aren't ripe for a rightist coup. But their success or failure will depend ultimately on the success of democracy in controlling the army. We still don't see how that is going to be done..."

Punta del Este, over the river in Uruguay, is the uniquely appropriate place for *ancien regime* plotters to be nostalgic, to commiserate, and to lay their plans, for it represents the very quintessence of the *plata dulce*, the illusory "sweet money" economy that the junta at the apogee of its power fostered for the well-to-do.

According to Adan Pedrini, indeed, the businessmen involved in the plotting are associates of former economy minister Jose Martinez de Hoz, Argentina's Aridor.

*Plata dulce* is the phrase taken from the name of a film of the period — was predicated upon a deliberately depressed exchange rate.

"Dollars were dirt," a Jewish insurance agent recalls wistfully. Thanks to the *plata dulce* he is the proud owner of a 140-square metre

apartment in Petah Tikva and is planning to immigrate to Israel soon.

For every apartment purchased in Petah Tikva, hundreds were built and bought at Punta, where Argentina's better-off Jews "make aliyah" each summer from the torrid heat of Buenos Aires.

The really rich built exquisite villas, some of them architectural jewels, on the lush grassy plains of the peninsula. Two-million-dollar villas are not exceptional; there are dozens of them, each in its own distinctive style, set back from the leafy roadways by lawns and tennis courts.

Argentines and some Uruguayans, Jews and gentiles, live side by side in Punta — although most of the money invested here is said to be Jewish, and although the most exclusive club in the resort, "La Terraza," is exclusively for gentiles.

The miles upon miles of sparkling beaches are sectioned-off, as though by tacit understanding. There is a predominantly Jewish beach, a mainly gentile beach (gold Magen David on "Hai" pendants, or alternatively crucifixes, are abundantly in evidence on hairy chests and comely bosoms). There are mixed beaches, young peoples' beaches (bikini dimensions are a key criterion of youth), and even a Sephardi beach.

Just as Punta symbolizes the sweetness of the *plata dulce* boom, so too it commemorates in concrete the inevitable end of the illusive dream, when boom turned suddenly to bust. Avenida Roosevelt, a broad thoroughfare running the length of the peninsula, is flanked by tall, luxurious apartment blocks. Many of them stand unfinished, their windows gaping out at the sea. Others are almost unoccupied. These are the stark tombstones marking the death of *plata dulce*.

One empty residential-and-shopping complex set a Buenos Aires Jewish financier back \$15m.

Many Argentines whose living standards have fallen sharply can still afford to live well in Punta on the money they transferred in the good years. Says Marcello Nudelmann, a young accountant: "There are people who drive a Fiat 600 at home and BMW here in Punta..."

The Israeli banks seem impervious to the change in circumstances, or else are hanging in hopefully for better times. One of the first hoardings on the road from Montevideo to Punta announces the presence of the United Mizrahi Bank there. The "Big Three" — Leumi, Hapoalim and Discount — make their pitch on billboards at the entrance to Punta, and all are well situated on the main street of the town.

Punta del Este, then, though outside Argentina, is a microcosm of Argentina's recent past and immediate future, as regrets and nostalgia, hopes and fears and plots jostle on its crowded beaches and streets.

Time is in limbo here. The summer sun bronzes bodies as anxious minds wait to see what the autumn will bring for Argentina.



Beate Klarsfeld (centre) leads a group of Jews in Santiago demanding the expulsion of former Nazi SS Col. Walter Rauff. (UPI telephoto)

## Nazi-hunter leads protest against Rauff

SANTIAGO (AP). — Nazi-hunter Beate Klarsfeld led about 30 Chilean Jews in a demonstration outside former Nazi SS Colonel Walter Rauff's house Thursday to demand his expulsion from Chile.

The 15-minute protest backed an Israeli government petition Wednesday for Rauff's expulsion so he can stand trial on charges of sending thousands of East European Jews to their deaths in mobile gas chambers mounted on trucks during World War II.

Chile's Foreign Ministry did not reply to reporters' requests for comment on the Israeli request.

Demonstrators from Jewish youth groups gathered with placards and chanted "killer" outside the shuttered, apparently unoccupied home in Santiago's Las Condes district. Four policemen watched and intervened only after Klarsfeld sprayed-painted "SS Rauff" in black letters on the sidewalk. Her paint can was confiscated.

Chile's Supreme Court, citing a 15-year statute of limitations, rejected a West German bid to extradite Rauff in 1963 for trial in Hanover. Klarsfeld argues there is no legal barrier to Rauff's expulsion because he is not a Chilean citizen and because he failed to disclose his past activities upon entering Chile in 1958.

While Klarsfeld is in Chile, her friends here are trying to make Israelis more aware of what she is doing. "When a gentle woman gives so much for a Jewish cause, it is sad when it is hardly mentioned in the Israeli press," said Bernard Luxembourg, 35, who knew Klarsfeld and her husband, Serge, in France before he moved to Israel.

"There are journalists with her in Chile, but not one representative of any Israeli paper," Luxembourg said. The Chilean officials will undoubtedly arrest or deport her, but the more publicity her efforts get here and elsewhere, the less they can do to her and the more likely they are to extradite Rauff in order to avoid further pressure from world opinion."

Luxembourg said he and several dozen other Israelis of different ages, backgrounds and political persuasions are trying to form a group to battle "against the tendency to forget." They want to keep reminding the Israeli public of the many unapprehended Nazi criminals and to fight for bigger budget for institutions like Yad Vashem to further research on the Holocaust and to keep the memory alive. "I personally do not hate Germans," Luxembourg said, "but what happened cannot be laid to rest."

The group, as yet unnamed, has not formally organized because its members are still working out their common ideology, Luxembourg said.

## Nazareth conference calls for making racism illegal

By YOEL DAR

Special to the Jerusalem Post

NAZARETH. — Hundreds of Arabs and Jews, among them MKs, chairmen of local councils and lecturers, attended a conference against racism held here yesterday.

The participants called for taking legal steps against persons who incite against Arab residents and urged that all discriminatory laws and regulations be repealed.

Nazareth Mayor Tawfik Zayyad, who spoke in Hebrew, said that Israeli Arabs are an inseparable part of the state and therefore deserve full rights. Zayyad, who is also a Communist Party MK, stressed that the Arab population is very concerned by hostile activities of a new Jewish organization in Galilee

which has been harassing them to compel them to emigrate.

MK Shulamit Aloni expressed hope that Israeli society will soon declare racism to be a sign of disgrace and against the law.

Upper Nazareth Mayor Menahem Ariav said the conference was organized by the Communist Party and its allies to gain political capital. "Their incitement against part of Upper Nazareth's residents will not close the gap but widen it," he said.

Ariav asked why the participants did not gather and protest when full rights. Zayyad, who is also a Communist Party MK, stressed that the Arab population is very concerned by hostile activities of a new Jewish organization in Galilee

## Salt workers apply sanctions over imports

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A dispute has broken out at the Atlit salt works over the import of salt from Rumania.

Since last Tuesday, workers at the plant have prevented shipment of 1 kilogram packages of table and cooking salt. The workers' commit-

tee warned that they would intensify their sanctions if the import of salt by the plant's own management is not stopped immediately.

The committee noted that the import was absurd since the company was also exporting \$1 million worth of salt from its plant in Eilat.

## Aridor: Dollarize immediately to halt inflation

TEL AVIV (Itim). — The govern-

ment must implement the dollarization scheme immediately in order to check inflation, former finance minister MK Yoram Aridor said on Friday.

Speaking at the Commerce and Industry Club here, he said that "even though the plan is mine, it

will save the economy and increase the government's popularity."

He charged that his successor, Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orad, has no economic program.

Aridor said that nevertheless his dollarization scheme was on the government's agenda again.

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## Iran said readying attack on Iraq

BASRA (Reuters). — Iran is mobilizing troops to attack Iraq in the southern sector of the Gulf War front, with this strategic port city an expected target, the commander of Iraq's Third Army corps said yesterday.

Major-General Maher Abed al-Rashid told a group of foreign reporters at his headquarters near Basra that Iran had mobilized three Revolutionary Guard divisions to support regular army troops for the planned attack.

Gen. Rashid did not give details of where the attack was expected to take place, but he said Basra, at the head of the gulf, was a possible main target. Iraq and Iran have been at war for 40 months.

He said Iraqi intelligence reports indicated that Iran had already

named the offensive — "Tahrir al-Quds" (Liberation of Jerusalem) and "Lahhaika Ya-Khomeini" (Here I Am, At Your Service, Khomeini).

Rashid, who took over the Third Army corps this week, previously commanded the First Army corps which repelled a major Iranian offensive in November on the Iraqi town of Penwin, 300 kilometres north-east of Baghdad.

Iran has tried several times to cross the 1180-kilometre long front since Iraq pulled back its troops to defensive lines from Iranian territory, occupied early in the conflict.

Foreign reporters taken to the southern front on Thursday saw long columns of Iraqi troops and war machinery heading for the front line.

Iraq is to fly 180 Iranian prisoners of war from Baghdad to Ankara today for handing over to Iranian authorities, Arab diplomatic sources in Ankara said yesterday.

Meanwhile, more than 300 Kurdish rebels have been killed by Iranian Revolutionary guards in a "winter campaign" against the dissidents in Kurdistan province, the Tehran daily *Azadegan* reported yesterday.

The paper, quoting a statement issued by the guards, said 30 Kurdish military commanders were killed in the fighting and hundreds of corpses still littered the battlefield.

It said a body count was taken after a 30-stage operation in the area to crush the guerrillas, who have been waging a violent campaign for autonomy.

## Mondale leaves Democratic hopefuls behind

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — Former vice-president Walter Mondale on Friday claimed a major victory in a poll of Democrats in Congress for the Democratic presidential nomination, but his major opponent, John Glenn, found his campaign floundering.

Aides to Mondale said he had won at least 97 of the 164 presidential nominating convention delegates chosen by House of Representative Democrats in balloting that ended Thursday night.

They said Ohio Senator John Glenn, a former astronaut, followed with at least 16, by their count.

On Thursday, Glenn replaced his presidential campaign manager amid signs that his bid for the Democratic nomination was falling

apart at the seams.

Glenn named Jerry Vento, a seasoned Democratic political professional, to replace William White, who had masterminded his bid for the presidency since its inception last March.

The run-up to the Democratic Party convention in San Francisco in July moves into high gear next month, with primary elections in New Hampshire and Iowa. Mondale has mustered big opinion poll leads in both states.

On the Republican side, President Ronald Reagan is expected to declare his candidacy for the November election today. He faces no serious opposition for his party's nomination.

Mondale has built up opinion poll

leads over his Democratic rivals of up to 3-1, piled up endorsements and built formidable political machines in key primary states. Glenn's stock seems to have plummeted on all fronts.

In a new CBS-New York Times poll of Democratic presidential preferences, Glenn dropped to only 14 per cent support behind Mondale's 44 per cent. He also had to share second place for the first time since the campaign polls started a year ago.

Black rights leader Jesse Jackson, riding a tide of publicity from his recent trip to Damascus during which he helped secure the release of a U.S. pilot shot down over Lebanon, also won 14 per cent backing.

## Police in Philippines stop anti-referendum protesters

MANILA (Reuters). — Armed Philippines police backed by fire engines stopped several thousand anti-government demonstrators from marching into Manila yesterday to protest against a national referendum on constitutional amendments.

As the votes cast in Friday's largely peaceful poll were counted, supporters of slain opposition leader Benigno Aquino were halted at the city's edge by police who said they had no licence to stage a rally.

The casualty toll in clashes between armed forces and dissidents or in other referendum-related violence was reported yesterday at 13 dead and 11 injured. The paramilitary constabulary said this was lower than usual during Philippines polls.

Police commander Brigadier-General Tomas Karingal told the independent radio Veritas the marchers would not be allowed into Manila because they would cause anarchy and traffic problems.

The marchers, led by Butz

Aquino, brother of the murdered former senator, set out Friday on a 145-kilometre walk from Tarlac, the Aquino hometown. Their destination was Manila airport, where Benigno Aquino was killed last August on his return from three years of voluntary exile in the U.S.

Butz Aquino, who estimated the crowd at 30,000, said they would spend the night outside metropolitan Manila while lawyers tried to negotiate with the authorities. Police said the crowd was smaller but gave no figure.

Final results of the referendum were not expected until next week but early returns indicated support for the main amendments, which included restoration of the vice-presidency and adjustments to constituency boundaries.

They also seemed to show a relatively tight turnout. President Ferdinand Marcos, now in his 19th year in power, had appealed for a strong turnout while the opposition called for a boycott.

## Andropov gets nomination, but fails to attend meeting

MOSCOW (AP). — Soviet President Yuri Andropov, out of public view for more than five months, was officially nominated Friday as a candidate for March 4 parliamentary elections but skipped another Communist Party meeting he might have been expected to attend.

Andropov, 69, was nominated to stand for the Moscow district of Proletarskiy, an industrial region in the east of the capital, TASS said. He did not attend a Moscow Communist Party meeting held to formalize nominations for the elections.

If he follows precedent established by the late Leonid Brezhnev and other former Soviet

leaders, Andropov can be expected to turn out to vote on March 4.

If he appears then, it would mark the president's first sortie in public since August 18, when he met with nine American senators in the Kremlin. Soviet officials have said a "cold" has kept him away from subsequent public meetings.

Pravda editor-in-chief Viktor Afanasyev told CBS' Mike Wallace in a recent Moscow interview that Andropov is suffering from a kidney ailment complicated by flu.

Statements issued in Andropov's name have appeared regularly, however, in the third week of each month since August.

## Blunt talks on U.S.-Japanese trade

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — After two days of blunt talking between Japan and the U.S. on trade issues, President Reagan and Japanese Foreign Minister Shintaro Abe have called for new efforts to solve their problems and forge closer ties.

Abe indicated there had been some tough talking when he said discussions on trade had been frank and useful. "I think we made considerable progress," he said on Friday.

U.S. officials said agreement was reached on renewing a three-year pact giving American companies

equal access to Japanese firms in sales of equipment to the government-owned Nippon Telephone and Telegraph (NTT) Corporation.

But a dispute over quotas imposed by Japan on U.S. beef and citrus exports remained unresolved.

## Iran oil to E. Germany

TEHRAN (Reuters). — Iran will sell 1.5 million tons of crude oil to East Germany this year at the official price of \$29 per barrel, Tehran Radio said yesterday.

## Soviet subs near U.S. discounted by Pentagon

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — One or more Soviet submarines, armed with nuclear missiles, have moved closer to the U.S. in an apparent response to the deployment of American weapons in western Europe, Pentagon officials said on Friday.

But they played down their military effectiveness.

At least one of the new Delta-class submarines, carrying nuclear missiles with a range of about 6,500 km, has been detected moving into the North Atlantic off the U.S. east coast, they said.

The Soviet Union already has Yankee-class submarines stationed off both east and west coasts. Their missiles have less than half the range of those on the Deltas.

The officials said deployment of the Deltas would give the Soviet Union little extra military potential since the submarines were able to hit targets in the U.S. from their normal patrolling positions.

But they noted that by emerging from their home waters, the Deltas now were vulnerable to American submarine-hunters.

## Egypt bans Columbia over film on Sadat

CAIRO (Reuters). — Egypt has decided to boycott an American motion picture company for producing a film slandering the country's history, government-controlled newspapers reported in Friday editions.

The Culture Minister Abdel-Hamid Radwan had issued a decree imposing a boycott on Columbia motion pictures for producing a film on the late president Anwar Sadat that "contains historic distortions slandering the Egyptian people's struggle."

Sadat was assassinated by Moslem fanatics on October 6, 1981.

## Veteran leader Hassan re-elected in Gibraltar

GIBRALTAR (AP). — A jubilant Sir Joshua Hassan told supporters Friday that his party's victory in Thursday parliamentary elections here was "the most satisfactory election result since I entered politics 40 years ago."

Hassan's Gibraltar Labour Party and Association for the Advancement of Civil Rights won eight of the 15 seats in the Gibraltar House of Assembly to assure the Jewish politician's continued control of political affairs in this British colony.

The Socialist Labour Party moved from one to seven House of Assembly seats. The previous opposition represented by the Democratic Party for British Gibraltar failed to win any seats.

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The frame of the Piasecki Heli-Stat, which will rigidly connect four modified Sikorsky helicopters to a one-million cubic foot helium-filled airship, is displayed on Thursday after passing structural tests at the Lakehurst Naval Air Centre. (UPI telephoto)

## Structural unit unveiled for 'world's largest aircraft'

LAKEHURST, New Jersey (AP). — U.S. officials on Thursday unveiled makings of what was billed as the world's largest aircraft, a 10-storey-high combination of blimp and helicopter intended to pluck timber from remote forests.

A congressional watchdog agency maintains, however, that the behemoth, called a Heli-Stat, will wind up as a \$40-million white elephant when finished.

The Heli-Stat will be about 10 metres longer than a football field and wider than an aircraft carrier. A combination of four helicopters and a U.S. Navy airship, it has been in preparation for four years. When

finished, the makers say, it will be able to lift 26 tons — more than twice what the largest present-day helicopter can handle.

The U.S. Forest Service says it eventually will be able to lift timber from previously unreachable areas and avoid the necessity of building forest roads. The manufacturer says it could also be used to lay pipelines, in mining and in offshore oil operations.

A \$10.7m. contract for building the Heli-Stat was awarded to Piasecki Aircraft Corporation in 1980. The firm now estimates the cost of developing, building and testing the airship at \$37m.

## U.S. envoy in South Africa discusses Angola truce

CAPE TOWN (Reuters). — Prime Minister P.W. Botha yesterday discussed a possible ceasefire on the Namibia-Angola border with U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs Chester Crocker, official sources said.

The Prime Minister was brought into the last round of talks after what officials called productive discussions on Friday involving Foreign Minister P.W. Botha.

The two-day talks focussed on the possibility of a ceasefire as a first step towards solving the question of independence for Namibia (South West Africa), the sources said.

South West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO) guerrillas,

who have bases in Angola, have for 17 years been fighting for the independence of Namibia, which South Africa governs in defiance of the UN.

Angola and South Africa have each offered cease-fires in recent weeks but with conditions unacceptable to the other.

South Africa insists, with U.S. support, that an estimated 20,000 to 30,000 Cuban troops must leave Angola before Namibia can be independent.

Angola demands that South Africa promise to begin a UN independence process involving elections which it is widely assumed SWAPO would win.

## Non-aligned meeting blasts Western-dominated media

JAKARTA (Reuters). — The Western media took a hammering for the third successive day yesterday at a conference of non-aligned information ministers discussing plans to improve the image of developing nations in the world's press.

The 60 or more countries attending have unanimously complained that the flow of world news is biased against them because of media domination by the big four Western news agencies of the U.S. and Western Europe.

While ministers made speeches one after another outlining the problems, a working committee met to debate a draft declaration proposed by Indonesia containing a plan of action.

Several countries expressed regret that the U.S. had announced its intention to withdraw from the

UN Education Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) which has been a major driving force for the much heralded "new international information order."

The U.S. has said UNESCO wants to restrict press freedom. The Cubans accused the U.S. of black mail, and the Nicaraguans said UNESCO was better off without the Americans, but several others including India and Yugoslavia said they hoped Washington would reconsider.

Quoting UNESCO Director-General Amadou M'bow of Senegal, who sent his apologies for being unable to attend, the organization's delegate, Makaminan Makaginsar, said progress towards a new information order would be slow but irreversible.

## JAL becomes world's largest airline

TOKYO (AP). — Japan Air Lines has replaced Pan American World Airways as the world's largest airline in terms of international passenger and cargo loads in 1983, a JAL spokesman said Friday.

According to JAL calculations, spokesman Geoffrey Tudor said, JAL carried 4,528 billion ton-kilometres of paid passengers, cargo and mail on regular international air routes last year against Pan Am's

4,120 billion ton-kilometres.

According to International Air Transport Association statistics, JAL ranked second in the international field with 4,318 billion ton-kilometres in 1982, against Pan Am's 4,322 billion ton-kilometres.

Ton-kilometres is calculated by multiplying paid transported weights of passengers and cargo by distances.

## Polish TV runs U.S. nuclear war film

WARSAW (AP). — State-run Polish television on Thursday night broadcast a lightly censored version of *The Day After*, making Poland the first Soviet Bloc nation to show the controversial ABC-TV film on nuclear war to a wide audience.

The prime-time evening broadcast differed from the U.S. version only by dropping a reference to East German troops rebelling at the

opening of the conflict. The film, which focuses on the destruction of a typical city in America's heartland, does not say who starts the nuclear exchange.

Unlike the November 20 American television premiere, the film was not followed by a panel discussion with experts. Instead, it was preceded by a commentary that blamed the U.S. for the arms race.

## Schoolboy hoax gets radio station to cancel school

NORWICH, England (Reuters). — A schoolboy tricked a radio station into announcing that his school was cut off by snow and closed for the day by ringing up and imitating his headmaster.

Headmaster John Gibbs was furious when more than 500 pupils stayed away from Northgate High School after the announcement.

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## Bonn defence chief may quit for sacking of 'gay general'

BONN (Reuters). — The fate of West German Defence Minister Manfred Woerner, at the centre of a controversy over his dismissal of a top general, hung in the balance yesterday as the country awaited Chancellor Helmut Kohl's return from Israel.

Kohl's mission to Israel has been overshadowed by the mounting political storm over Woerner's firing of NATO General Guenter Kiesling on evidence, now discredited, that he frequented homosexual bars and was a security risk.

Kohl, who leaves Israel today, has asked to see Woerner in his office tomorrow.

Woerner is not prepared to resign over the firing, a spokesman for the minister said, denying reports that he has already offered his resignation to Kohl.

But diplomatic sources and political commentators almost unanimously agreed that the tide has

turned against Woerner. There have been increasing doubts about the credibility of four witnesses to Kiesling's alleged behaviour, whom the government has refused to name.

The sources said after the Kiesling sacking came to light that Woerner had at least a 50-50 chance of surviving, if the counter-intelligence unit is held responsible for producing sloppy evidence against the General. Woerner has appointed a three-man commission to look into the agency's activities.

But the sources said he made a serious and probably fatal mistake in meeting a Swiss homosexual magazine publisher who claimed to have evidence that the general was a homosexual.

The publisher was widely discredited as a serious witness by the press, and his trip to Bonn was portrayed as a last desperate effort by Woerner to demonstrate the truth of the allegations.

## U.S. official warns division of Cyprus may be permanent

WASHINGTON (AP). — Cyprus will be divided permanently if the present division continues too long, a U.S. State Department official warned on Friday.

"The teen-agers today on Cyprus, Greek Cypriots or Turkish Cypriots, do not know one another and if that situation is continued for too long you will in fact have a permanently divided island," said Edward Derwinski, counsellor of the department. "You may as well split it and put them a thousand miles apart, because you won't be able to get it together."

He spoke at a meeting of Ahepa, a society of Greek-Americans.

He said his point about separation had been made by both Greek and Turkish Cypriot leaders when he last visited the Mediterranean

island, split by a Turkish invasion in 1974. Last November, Turkish Cypriots declared their independence.

Derwinski said the declaration — which the U.S. opposed — at least called public attention to the situation.

He said he favours "quiet diplomacy" to solve the problem and urged that leaders on both sides not take too many irreversible positions. A final result would have to be a compromise and all the right is not on one side, he added.

In Nicosia, Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktaş accused President Spyros Kyprianou Friday of "sowing discord" between Turkey and Greece, co-guarantors of Cyprus independence.

## Arms talks to resume in March

VIENNA (AP). — The suspended East-West negotiations on reducing conventional forces and armaments in Central Europe will restart on March 16, three months after the Warsaw Pact refused to set a new date, a NATO spokesman said Thursday.

Belgian Ambassador Robert Lebacqz, speaking on behalf of NATO, told the Austrian Foreign Ministry that the Western alliance had decided to accept a Soviet proposal and continue the talks on March 16. Although the date was already known, Lebacqz officially notified the host country, apparent-

ly to ensure that premises for the talks are available.

When the deadlocked parties recessed on December 15, the Soviet Union and its allies were unwilling to agree on January 26 as the new resumption date, insisting that continuation of the talks would have to be discussed through diplomatic channels.

The talks have been stalled over the so-called data issue, with the West insisting on clarification of the actual manpower of both military alliances before practical reduction moves take place.

## Evidence of torture against Turkey

STRASBOURG, France (AP). — Five Western European countries that have accused the former military regime in Turkey of torturing prisoners and other violations of human rights have shown enough evidence to indict Turkey for such practices, the European Commission of Human Rights reported Friday.

The indictment is the first step in a process that could lead to the expulsion of Turkey from the 21-nation Council of Europe.

The complaint, brought against

Turkey by France, Denmark, Norway, Sweden and the Netherlands, charged that the military government of Gen. Kenan Evren had subjected hundreds of political prisoners to torture and other "inhuman or degrading treatment."

It also accused Turkey of drastically curtailing political activities and enacting laws suspending due process in criminal proceedings. All of those charges violate the European Convention for the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms.

## Court frees assets of UK print union

LONDON (AP). — A High Court judge on Friday dismissed contempt of court charges against a British print union, whose illegal picketing led to a nationwide newspaper strike in November.

Judge Sir Michael Eastham also granted the National Graphical Association's request to release its £11 million (IS1.9 billion) of assets seized November 25, 1983, but refused to revoke fines totalling £675,000 (IS116m.).

The dispute began last July, when Eddie Shah, owner of the *Men-*

senger group of local newspapers, fired six NGA members who protested against his decision not to force his 120 employees to join the union.

The conflict escalated in a series of illegal and sometimes violent mass picketing protests and court fines, leading to a strike which halted national newspapers for two days. The protest collapsed when the NGA's request for a nationwide strike was rejected by Britain's Trades Union Congress on December 14.

## Portugal votes to liberalize abortion

LISBON (Reuters). — Portugal's parliament voted on Friday after an all-night debate to liberalize abortion, an issue which split the eight-month-old government for the first time and provoked a bitter dispute with the powerful Roman Catholic Church.

The bill approved by parliament does not legalize abortion, but waives prosecution in cases of fetal deformity, pregnancy following rape and when the mother's life is in danger.

A bill put forward by the opposi-

tion Communists simply legalizing abortion on the lines of most Western European countries was rejected, and parliament adopted a milder Socialist measure.

With the Communists voting with the Socialists, it was carried by 132 votes to 102, with one Socialist abstention.

Opposing the bill were the Social Democrats, partners to the Socialists in the ruling coalition, and the staunchly Roman Catholic Christian Democrats.

## Eritrean rebels kill 30 Ethiopian troops

BAHRAIN (Reuters). — Guerrillas fighting for the independence of the Ethiopian province of Eritrea killed 30 Ethiopian troops on Friday in a battle near the western town of Barentu, the Qatari news agency reported yesterday.

The agency quoted a spokesman for the Eritrean Liberation Front (ELF-PLF) as saying the battle took place when Ethiopian troops tried to retake the border town of Tessenet near the town of Abu Gama.

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## An Israeli in Egypt

## Food for thought

By Michelle Mazel



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politics and cared even less. People who were always ready to go for a felucca ride on the Nile (you gather a party of 20 or so, meet at 5 p.m. on the wharf and have a leisurely sail and dinner on the river, while the sun goes slowly down and the huge city lights up), a day trip to the oasis of Fayoum or even a five-day trek to Upper Egypt and back. We went to Western-style barbecues and wondered who'd shot J.R.; we went to bingo evenings, poker games, fancy dress parties, fashion shows, cabaret. This was a merry crowd and anything was an excuse for a party. Inevitably we met more and more Egyptians, businessmen, teachers, doctors. We made more and more friends. We joked together, went shopping together, went to see belly dancing together. We had one cardinal rule: we did not talk politics — unless they started.

I remember one evening in particular. Two of our good friends — I shall call them Ahmed and Fadia — had invited us over for a TV dinner. Fadia was on and of course everyone was watching it. It was a social phenomenon (up to the time it was banned: but that was later). When Egyptian Television broadcasts a series, it does not do it rigidly the way it is done elsewhere. No, the show is on night after night for as long as it takes. It tends to grow on you after a while.

Anyway, here we were, sprawling on couches and sofas, munching peanuts and *fitouk*, just like at home, with another five couples or so, all casually dressed and having a good time: all Egyptians except for us. In walks another couple. They make the rounds, get to us, hear the

word "Israeli" and the temperature drops below freezing point. It turned out they were Lebanese Moslem. Contrary to the friendly Western colleagues mentioned earlier, our Egyptian host had not thought twice about inviting us together.

Dallas was forgotten in favour of a heated political discussion with everyone joining in.

By midnight, we had all agreed that whatever the policies of our respective governments, there was no reason we shouldn't meet and discuss them together.

Everybody had had fun, and we parted as friends.

The basic assumption underlying our Egyptian friends' attitude was that we had as much influence on the policy-making process of our government as they had on theirs; therefore there was no point in blaming us for what our government was doing for what they thought it was doing, which was often quite different, the media being what they are in the Arab world.

We stayed in Cairo for more than three years. Relations with Egyptian officials remained generally correct but distant, though we did make some very good friends; and we never felt really accepted in some diplomatic circles. Probably there were embassies where it was thought that peace between Egypt and Israel was a transient thing and it was best not to become too involved, just in case. A noble attitude which does credit to the spirit of our time. This is why we shall always remember with warmth and gratitude the many Egyptians who made us feel welcome.

## Giving a helping hand

Volunteers are a crucial part of services for the elderly, writes Leah Abramowitz.



Hanan Tal

Africa and the Middle East, as well as old-time pioneers from Eastern Europe. Quite by chance, relates Basa Salmon, the community worker, the community centre organized a play centre for children aged 3 to 10. The parents were en-

couraged to come with their children to learn how to play together and use games for cultural advancement.

However, in many instances, the parents were too busy and sent a grandparent instead. A steady

group of elderly volunteers grew out of this. Over the past two years not only the grey-haired volunteers participate in the play centre, but they have been enlisted into helping at the local kindergartens and nursery schools too.

## Home's the place

Domiciliary care is best for the terminally ill, D'vora Ben Shaul learns.

needs a blood test or a regular transfusion make the painful and exhausting journey, often many miles, to the hospital. It would be far more efficient and compassionate for the attending doctor to take the blood sample from the patient in his or her home; pass it on to the hospital and receive the results, or, if needed, the fresh blood for administration after the hospital has done all the typing and cross matching. It's easier for the patient, for the family and for the physician, in the long run.

Bart doesn't accuse hospital staff of callousness, just lack of understanding. It's that way, he says, because that's the way it has always been. They wish the patient no ill, they simply have never been taught to consider the cost in energy and pain of these trips.

As to the families Bart says: "One job the doctor has to do," he says, "is to explain things to the family. Most modern people, except for soldiers, have never seen a dead

person and they are afraid to keep their loved one at home for fear that they won't know how to handle the situation if some morning they simply find that death has come."

Bart says that when he explains to them that they need only go out, close the door and call the *Hewa Kudisha*, the Burial society, they are quite relieved.

Another problem the families face, he says, is the feeling of guilt, as if they aren't giving their loved one every possible chance to recover.

"I believe in absolute honesty on this point. I tell the family and the patient exactly what the situation is. I point out what the usual prognosis is. I tell them about the types of treatment used for their condition. I also always tell them that prognosis is not absolute because sometimes things happen that we just cannot explain. Then I let them make up their minds how much treatment and other medical experience they

wish to undertake. Many people, faced with a fatal illness, do not want to undergo extensive surgery and chemotherapy. They want to make peace with themselves and with their own death and be allowed to remain somewhat in control of their own situation. For these people general, sympathetic nursing care and drugs for the relief of pain are what is indicated. Others want every advantage modern science might offer, no matter how small the chances of success. For them the hospital choice is equally valid."

Bart, a religious Jew, feels strongly about the dignity of man and about the need for the dying to fulfil their own spiritual aspirations. "I do not think or feel that a terminally ill person is a lost case. These last weeks or months can be very important to the person and I feel that people also have the right to make certain basic decisions for themselves."

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the family on the part of the doctor and home-visiting nurses helps relieve patients of a feeling that they are a burden. This, he feels, is an important consideration.

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## ENTERTAINMENT

## TELEVISION

**EDUCATIONAL:**  
18.15 School Broadcasts (5.00 Archeology: 16.00 Joe Williams 16.25 Summum Street: 17.00 A New Evening — live magazine)  
**CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES:**  
17.30 Little House on the Prairie: The Rejuvenation of Nellie (part 2)  
18.20 Short Film  
**ARABIC LANGUAGE programmes:**  
18.30 News roundup  
19.00 Weekly News Magazine  
**HEBREW PROGRAMMES resumes:**  
20.00 With a news roundup  
20.02 Programme Trailer  
20.15 Live Beat: The Stone Hit Heart  
21.00 Mahat: Newsweek and Overseas Sports Review  
21.40 Small Details — documentary on children with cerebral palsy  
22.15 100 years of Golden Hits — entertainment  
23.00 News  
**JORDAN TV (official):**  
18.30 Cartoons, 18.00 French Hour, 18.30 1973 1974 News, 19.00 News in French  
19.30 News in Hebrew, 22.00 News in Arabic, 20.15 Hallelujah, Little Gloria, Happy 1st Day, 22.00 News in English, 22.15 Jan 1 live  
**MIDDLE EAST TV (official):**  
18.00 Local News, 18.30 World News, 19.00 News, 20.00 News, 20.30 Club, 21.00 Afternoon Movie, 10.30 Spiderman, 17.00 Popeye, 17.30 Young Living, 18.00 Israeli, 19.00 Cultural, 20.00 Theatre, Showcase, 21.00 News, 21.30 News, 22.30 Feature Cinema, 22.54-7.00 Club

## ON THE AIR

## Voice of Music

6.02 Musical Clock  
7.07 Handel: Concerto for Ali-Recorder (Michaela Petrik Arde, Saxofonia No. 2)  
7.30 Weber: Introduction, Theme and Variations for Clarinet and String Quartet; Chopin: Krakowiak, Op. 14 (Bella Davidovich); Thomas: Ballet Music from Hamlet; Lalo: Cello Concerto (Frederic Loudon, Dutoit); Puccini: 2 Arias from La Boheme and La Rondine; Schubert: Symphony No. 5 (RPO, Mehta)  
9.30 Dvorak: String Quintet, Op. 97; Bach: Sonata for Viola da Gamba and Harpsichord in G minor (Yo-Yo Ma) + Telerman Cantata: Haydn Concerto for Violin, Harpsichord and Strings (I. Musil); Schumann: Kinderszenen, Op. 15 (Alfred Brendel); Faust: Trio: Suk: Ballade  
12.00 Yehonah Hazan, piano — Scarlatti: 2 Sonatas; Bach: Chromatic Fantasy and Fugue; Liszt: Bagatelle; P. Ben-Haim: Prelude, Op. 34; Elstner: Sonata, Op. 31; No. 2; Liszt: Etude: Liszt: Sonata No. 10  
13.05 Dances, Dances: Lenny: Enak; Schumann: Song, The Two Grenadiers (Benjamin L. Cayton); Ami Maayani: Improvisation and Variations; Zvi Avnir: 2 Polkas; Mendelssohn: Symphonie No. 4; Bach: Little Preludes and Fugues (John Williams, guitar); Beethoven: Aza from Fidelio (Vishnevskaya); Barlow: Caprice; Liszt: Piano Piece; Shostakovich: The Daughter; Monteverdi: Excerpts from L'Alba di Lantimour (Pavarotti, Sutherland)

15.00 The History of Music  
15.30 Youth Programme  
16.30 J.C. Bach: Fikria in G; Max Regier: Requiem, Op. 14; Orlando Gibbons: Choral piece  
18.00 Portrait and Autobiography  
19.05 Jazz  
20.00 Prayers of the Antiochian Orthodox Church  
20.30 Weekly Chamber Concert — recital by Michael Regier, piano — Bach: Basso; Chopin: Brahms: 3 Intermezzi, Op. 117; Shostakovich: 2 Preludes and Fugues; Schumann: Fantasy, Op. 17  
23.00 Music for the Night  
00.10 Famous Artists in Historical Recordings

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6.30 Programmes for Olim  
7.30 Morning Concert (from Voice of Music)  
9.30 Enkolment  
10.30 Programme in Easy Hebrew  
11.00 School Broadcasts  
11.30 Education for all  
12.05 Song and Tune  
13.00 News in English  
13.20 News in French  
14.05 Children's programmes  
15.25 Notes of Science (repeat)  
15.53 Notes of a New Book  
16.05 Free Period — live education magazine  
17. Jewish Ideas  
17.20 Even man's University  
18.05 Afternoon Classics  
18.45 Bible Reading  
19.05 Lesson in Tanak by Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz  
19.30 Programmes for Olim  
21.05 Hebrew Songs  
23.05 Child and Family Magazine

6.12 Gymnastics  
6.22 Agricultural Broadcasts  
6.53 Green Light — drivers' corner  
7.00 This Morning — news magazine  
8.05 Safe Journey  
9.05 House Call — with Rivka Micheli  
10.10 All Shades of the Network  
12.05 Open Line — news and music  
13.00 Midday — news commentary, music  
14.10 Matters of Interest  
16.10 Safe Journey  
17.00 Economics Magazine  
17.30 Of Men and Figures  
18.05 The State of Israel — situation  
18.45 Today in Sport  
19.05 Today — radio newsweek  
19.30 Sports Magazine  
20.05 Cantorial Requests  
22.05 Light music for wind ensembles  
23.05 Third Bell — arts magazine

## Army

6.06 Morning Sounds  
6.30 University on the Air  
7.07 On Drivers and Traffic — traffic reports, music  
8.05 Morning Newsweek  
9.05 Right Now — with Rafi Reshef  
11.05 Israeli Winter — Eli Yisraeli  
13.05 Two Hours  
15.05 What's Wrong — with Erez Tal  
16.05 Four in the Afternoon  
17.05 Evening Newsweek  
18.05 Sports Magazine  
19.05 Music Today — music magazine  
20.05 Hits — Old and New  
21.00 Mahat — TV Newsweek  
21.35 University on the Air (repeat)  
22.05 Hebrew Songs  
23.05 The World is a Stage  
00.05 Night Birds — songs, chat

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## TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET REVIEW

### Index-linked bonds at centre stage

By MACABEE DEAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The spectre of another crash in the stock market — but this time not of the commercial bank shares but of the government-issued index-linked bonds — hovered over the capital markets last week.

These index-linked bonds had always been considered "as safe as the State of Israel," and indeed, the state (in the form of the Bank of Israel) moved in swiftly to maintain the price of these bonds. This move, plus the fact that the Bank of Israel towards the end of the week mobilized the institutional investors (the providents funds, etc.), helped to calm the atmosphere.

But financial circles were not willing to go out on a limb and predict that public confidence in these bonds had been restored, although the government reiterated its stand, that it would continue to support these bonds.

Unlike the commercial banks, whose resources are limited, those of the government are unlimited. It can always print money to buy these bonds, but if it does so, it will foster inflation, the very phenomenon which it is so desperately fighting.

At any rate, the sale of bonds (the

overwhelming majority being index-linked, although some are linked to foreign currencies) rose from \$7.2 million last Sunday to \$8.7m., \$18m., \$80m. and \$32.8m. on subsequent days last week. Intervention by the Bank of Israel became massive on Tuesday, when the bank bought up about \$16m. On Wednesday, its purchases reached a huge \$28m., but on Thursday, its intervention dropped to only \$16m.

On Thursday, however, the institutional investors were also very active, helping to calm the atmosphere, and they even raised prices in some cases by one to two per cent.

Whether public faith in the bonds has been restored or not is still a moot question. Trading this week should give at least a partial answer. The authorities insisted at the beginning of last week that the majority of the sales were not by the public, but by businessmen who had run into a credit squeeze, and needed ready cash.

The "bond issue" overshadowed two other events last week. The first was the oil strike at Gurim 4. Nearly all oil shares, those which had a part in the drilling, and those which did not, began to soar.

But according to an official an-

nouncement by Jerusalem Oil Exploration Ltd. (J.O.E.L.), Gurim will only pump about 100 barrels a day, and the entire field contains about four million barrels. Since Israel uses about 150,000 barrels a day, the entire field can supply only a tiny part of the country's needs — in fact, less than one month's oil.

But the importance of the oil strike was not its total output. The big question is whether Gurim 4 was drilled at the far end of a huge pool of oil, or at the very centre. If it is at the centre, there is some justification for the soaring prices of oil shares. But the Heletz field, which was brought in several decades ago, also sent hopes soaring at the time.

The second event last week was the "arrangement" bank shares. Bank of Israel intervention was needed throughout the week to maintain their price, after the Bank of Israel let them fall by two to three per cent on Sunday.

These "arrangement" shares, if the government can honour its pledge to redeem them in the stipulated dollar terms, are perhaps the best buy in Israel, giving a tax-free yield of about 23 per cent (in dollar terms) a year. And if Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orgad manages to put through all his budget cuts; if he gets the economy back on an even keel; and if exports (and their profits) rise, there will be many Israelis who in a few years will blame themselves for not having bought them.

The "free" shares were mixed all during last week, and their turnover never rose above one million dollars a day.

### Europe's jobless rate hits postwar record

BRUSSELS (AP). — The European Common Market on Friday announced a post-World War II record of 12.5 million people were out of work in December, fresh evidence that the U.S. recovery has not spread to Europe.

The jobless rate in the 10 European Community (EC) countries hit 10.8 per cent, with 100,000 more jobless than in January, 1983, the worst previous month in the trade bloc's history.

From November to December, only Belgium showed an increase in jobs. The other nine countries were either worse off than the month before or stayed the same.

The only way to fix things is to learn economic lessons from Japan and the U.S., EC Social Affairs Commissioner Ivor Richard told reporters. "The Community must gear up its educational and training efforts if it is to enable its industry to match developments in the United States and Japan," he said.



The 62,000-ton bulk carrier "Besor" is one of the new fleet of large grain carriers. It is 225 metres long, 32 metres wide and from the deck down measures 18 metres.

### \$120m. grain carrying deal for Zim and El-Yam lines

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A seven-year contract to carry grain from the U.S. to Israel was signed by Industry and Trade Minister Gideon Pat with the Zim and El-Yam shipping companies on board the El-Yam grain carrier M.S. Nebo in the port here on Thursday.

The two companies will bring nearly a million tons of grain annually under a contract that is worth \$120 million. They will earn another \$20m. a year for carrying potash on their outward trips.

The firms agreed to reduce their freight rates from \$26 per ton in the previous five-year contract to about \$20. This was made possible thanks to the introduction of larger ships, capable of carrying between 50,000 and 60,000 tons each, replacing the old 30,000-ton carriers, which were more expensive to operate.

The ministry estimates that the

contract, which took many months to negotiate, will save the country \$30m. in freight charges.

Under U.S. law, American ships will carry the balance of 850,000 tons of grain annually, at double the freight rates charged by the Israeli companies.

"We tried very hard to get a reduction in the American rates too. But a U.S. official told me bluntly that with \$900 m. worth of U.S. aid a year, we will just have to shell out some millions of dollars to American shipping companies," Pat said.

Another Israeli firm, Dhalit-Rosenfeld, will carry 150,000 tons annually, under a separate contract that still has three years to go.

The general managers of El-Yam, Ya'acov Recanti, and of Zim, Yehuda Rotem, and members of their board signed for the companies.

### Swiss bankers see recovery of gold prices

ZURICH (Reuters). — Gold has looked like one of the worst investments in the world for much of the past three years, but Swiss bankers foresee a gradual recovery in its price, beginning in the second half of 1984.

The metal surged to a peak of over \$850 per ounce for a few weeks of 1980, bringing fortunes overnight to speculators and reinforcing a longstanding belief that you cannot lose money with gold.

But few investments have fared worse since then. Not only does gold earn no interest or dividends, but those who bought it at that time have seen the value of their holdings more than halved.

In London gold was recently fixed at around \$376 an ounce — a price little changed, while the dollar's value has soared in recent weeks.

But most of the Swiss bankers

who trade here in one of the world's most important gold markets believe the worst may soon be over for the metal.

"The danger of a slump is now very slight," says Mathis Caballavetta of Union Bank of Switzerland. "The present trading range around \$380 may be its lowest point for some time."

But Arno Semadeni of Swiss Bank Corporation was ahead of the general opinion with his bold forecast of "a powerful recovery in the gold price in 1984."

The main reason for the gradual return of confidence is a belief that inflation will before long accelerate again, reviving gold's attraction as a hedge against paper money's loss of value.

The bankers also believe the dollar and U.S. interest rates must eventually fall from their present high levels, prompting a flow of capital out of American investments. Some of these funds can be expected to go into gold and push its price up.

Semadeni says the larger amounts of money which the Federal Reserve (U.S. central bank) has been pumping into the American economy in order to help recovery over the past 18 months, have created "an irreversible potential for inflation."

But Caballavetta thinks the effort will take a long time to work through. "A boom in gold prices could be brought about only by a rapid inflationary increase in inter-

### U.S. trade deficit hits a record \$69.4b.

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. foreign trade deficit ballooned to a record \$69.4 billion last year, the government reported Friday. Officials predicted the deficit this year will be even worse.

The trade deficit in 1983 was 62 per cent higher than the record \$42.7 billion set just a year earlier.

For December, the deficit narrowed to \$6.3 b. from November's \$7.4 b., reflecting a 3.2 per cent decline in imports and a 2 per cent increase in exports.

But Commerce Department economist David Lund said Friday that the deficit for this year will continue to worsen. He predicted it will top \$100 billion, and may hit \$110 billion.

The poor trading performance of the U.S. is blamed primarily on two factors. The high value of the dollar makes U.S. exports expensive but imports relatively cheap. And the

U.S. economy is growing at a much faster pace than that of the rest of the world, resulting in brisker American purchases of overseas products while foreign buying of U.S. goods lags behind.

Many economists have blamed the dollar's high value on large U.S. budget deficits, which boost interest rates, encouraging foreigners to put their money in U.S. financial markets. This increases demand for dollars and pushes up exchange rates.

Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige, who last week predicted a U.S. trade deficit of \$90 billion this year, said Friday after release of the 1983 figures that the level "could exceed \$100 billion."

Baldrige said that in 1984 not only will non-petroleum imports continue to rise but the U.S. oil bill will grow also as the country demands more energy to fuel the recovery from recession.

### UK government won't prevent issuance of Reuters' stock

LONDON (Reuters). — The British government on Friday turned down demands in Parliament to intervene in the proposed flotation of Reuters, the world news organization.

Kenneth Baker, minister for information technology, said he accepted that there was public concern over plans to sell shares in Reuters on the stock market.

But the British government was not a shareholder and it had no

standing in the matter or power to intervene, he said.

Baker was responding for Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's Conservative government to a motion by opposition Labour member Austin Mitchell calling on it to safeguard the independence and integrity of the agency, founded in London in 1851.

As is customary on a private member's motion, no vote was taken at the end of the debate.

Mitchell, a former television presenter, told the House of Commons that Reuters had become very profitable in recent years since it diversified into selling financial information.

He said the agency had now become "a tempting pot of gold" for the newspaper moguls with an existing stake in Reuters.

Reuters is owned by British, Australian and New Zealand newspaper interests and has been unofficially valued at £1 billion (\$1.4 billion).

Its operating profits soared from \$4.1 million in 1980 to \$36.5 million in 1982.

### Exports to Lebanon about \$3m. a month

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Israel's trade with Lebanon and Egypt is stable. It stands at some \$3 million worth of exports monthly to Lebanon and another \$3m. worth of indirect exports of goods from Europe transhipped through Haifa port. There is "virtually no trade" with Egypt, Industry and Trade Minister Gideon Pat told the press here last week.

Pat said that steady relations had been established with Lebanese merchants. A third border crossing point had been opened for their convenience at Biranit, in addition to the existing points at Metulla and Rosh Hanikra, he added.

Israel's purchases from Lebanon so far consisted of one shipment of Arak and a fairly steady supply of scrap iron to the steel mills in Kere-

### Stock market announcements

Cla Trade announced last week that it was setting up a new affiliate, Cla International Barter, which will concentrate on exporting Israeli goods to various countries which will supply goods to Israel in exchange.

M.T.M. Options will be struck from the Stock Exchange listing today. The options can be redeemed for the last time on January 28.

Kopel Self-Drive announces that Shmuel Pilovsky and Eran Pilovsky (both interested parties in the company) have agreed to sell all or part of their shares to Shmuel Rosenberg (also of the same company). Eran Pilovsky will sell 2,781,041 ISI shares and 1,200,520 options to Rosenberg for \$220,000, and Shmuel Pilovsky will sell 5,559,540 ISI shares (out of the 6,929,540 he holds) and 2,697,300 options (out of the 3,382,320 he holds) for a total sum of \$189,000. These transactions must receive the approval of the Stock Exchange.

Modul Beton states that it has won a tender to erect buildings valued at \$3 million in Gush Segov. This \$3m. accounts for about 15 per cent of the firm's projected annual construction work.

Jerusalem Oil Exploration Ltd. (J.O.E.L.) announces officially that the oil pool it has found near Arad constitutes about four million bar-

rels "of which only a part can be pumped out."

Teva Pharmaceutical Industries notes that its 20 per cent cash dividend (from which 6.2 per cent will be withheld for taxes) will go "ex" on February 2 and payment will be made on February 16.

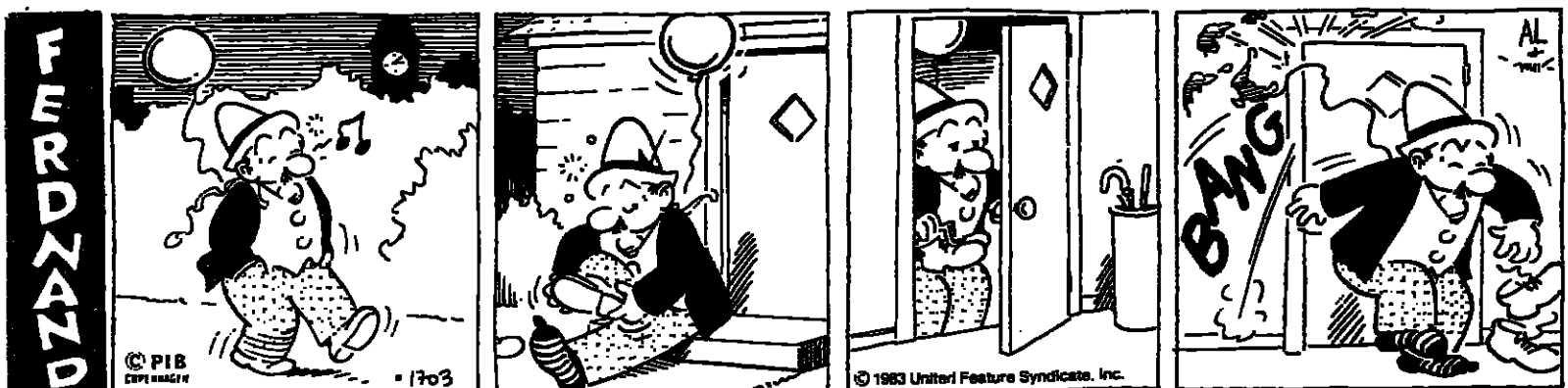
Solel Boneh informed the stock exchange that together with A. Arenson of Haifa it will build the electric power station which is to rise near Ashkelon and which will have two 550 megawatts units. The firms will participate equally in the project.

The first stage, which will cost about \$19m., should be completed in about two years, and the entire project within five years. Solel Boneh did not announce the date on which work would begin, but stated that some 5,000 tons of steel and 24,000 tons of cement would be used in the project. Both companies will employ 150-200 workers, who will work in shifts to meet the projected deadlines.

### LONDON BANK RATES

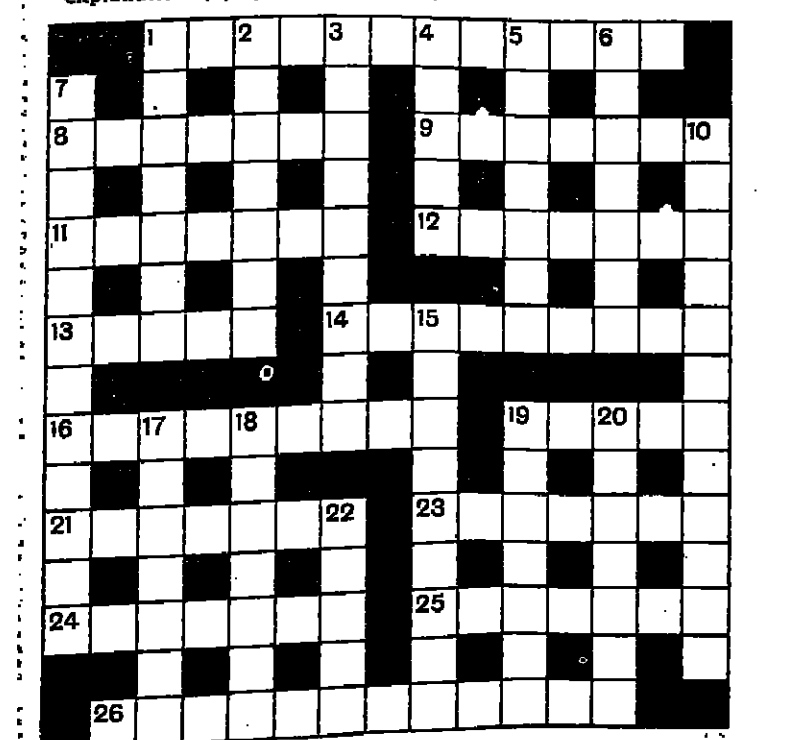
January 27, 1984	Prev	Close
Bank base rate	9	9
Call money	9 1/4	9 1/4
91 days Treasury	8 7/8	8 7/8
3 month interbank	9 1/8	9 1/8

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### ONE-AND-ONE CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 1 A tossed-off air from Car men? (8, 4)
  - 6 Elizabethan tellers gave it priority for naval defences (3-4)
  - 9 The devil of a motive crew for example (7)
  - 11 One of those who may have taken little piggy to market (7)
  - 12 & 13 A bargain proposed by a particular constable? (7, 5)
  - 14 String-puller's instruction to let nothing slip out of the bag (4, 5)
  - 16 Would be master of course shifting shore (9)
  - 19 A publication for children (5)
  - 21 Bill was thus established (7)
  - 23 Quiet one in patchwork coat, a pudding type (7)
  - 24 As giddy as a joy-ride prior (7)
  - 25 Dante's English revision for where Londoners speak Cockney (4, 3)
  - 26 A knotty yarn for which there may be no earthly explanation (7, 5)
- DOWN**
- 1 Strip cartoon? (4-3)
  - 2 Ruots out royalty and finds something to crow about (7)
  - 3 Append a clause or 16 won't get a place (3, 1, 5)
  - 4 Modern Arab came or Old English as makes for them (5)
  - 5 Old tempter and old music-maker (7)
  - 6 No nightjar—or anything else, apparently (7)
  - 7 Enlarge dictionary interest yearly initially so write your own clue for this (2, 2, 8)
  - 10 Be in a position to do a deal and win hands down (4, 3, 5)
  - 15 Watchful state when there's danger warning overhead (8)
  - 17 Giving help to the needy but being cautious about it (7)
  - 18 It means the chopper for chest squirming in high tension situation (7)
  - 19 I'm past nothing, not even laying the paint on (7)
  - 20 Inclined to a little precipitate action? (7)
  - 22 Derv given spin for airing (5)



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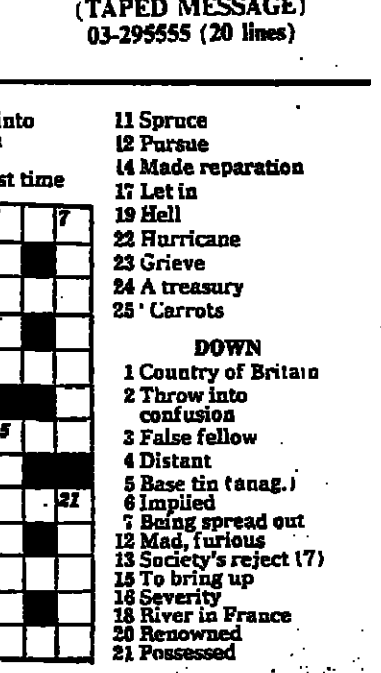
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#### QUICK CROSSWORD

1 Destroyer  
2 Thru into confusion  
3 False fellow  
4 Distant  
5 Base tin (tanag.)  
6 Impiled  
7 Being spread out  
8 Mad, furious  
9 Society's reject (7)  
10 To bring up  
11 Severely  
12 River in France  
13 Renowned  
14 Possessed

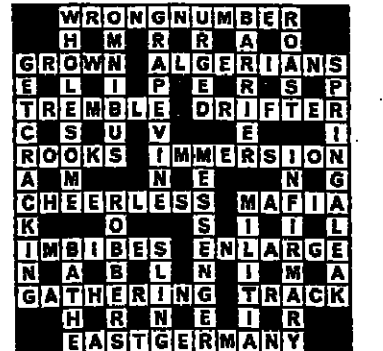
8 Gets teeth into  
9 Zodiac sign  
10 Tapered  
11 Taking most time



### Bank of Israel exchange rates

January 27, 1984	IS
U.S. dollar	122.85
British sterling	172.60
German mark	43.669
French franc	14.266
Dutch guilder	38.803
Swiss franc	54.836
Swedish krona	15.072
Norwegian krone	15.601
Danish krone	12.034
Finnish mark	20.687
Canadian dollar	98.513
Australian dollar	112.16
South African rand	97.095
Belgian franc (10)	21.376
Austrian schilling (10)	61.963
Italian lire (100)	71.643
Japanese yen (100)	52.453
Irish pound	135.20
Spanish peseta (100)	77.289
Jordanian dinar	323.10
Lebanese lira	20.820
Egyptian pound	107.80

#### Friday's solutions



**WRONGNUMBER**  
H M R R A O  
L I L E R A S P  
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**QUICK SOLUTION**  
Across: 1, Motor-racing; 7, Pagan; 8, Chipmunk; 10, Chile; 11, Surface; 12, Pileus; 13, Escalator; 14, Crescendo; 15, Cheese; 16, Explain; 22, Tapered; 23, Selection; 24, Amass; 25, Descendants.  
Down: 1, Magnitude; 2, Tandem; 3, Recession; 4, Anise; 5, Immoral; 6, Canon; 7, Pile; 8, Pocket; 9, Sleigh rides; 14, Shortened; 15, Ice-cream; 17, Cheese; 18, Captain; 20, Fled; 21, Neve.

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## Sports

### Goal feast in league as buoyant Betar stretch lead to five points

By PAUL KOHN and YARON KENAN

Buoyant, beautiful Betar, here there and everywhere.

Whatever residual doubts there might have been about Betar Jerusalem's ability to transfer their mastery from away from home to the awkward precincts of their squalid Jerusalem home ground were erased in style during 45 minutes at the YMCA pitch yesterday afternoon.

They turned on a dramatic first half performance to beat Shimon 2-0 while their erstwhile rivals Hapoel Tel Aviv showed themselves increasingly suspect and were held to a goalless draw by lowly Jaffa. This hoisted Betar into a clear five point lead at the top of the National League football table on a day when a season-high 27 goals were scored in a frenzy of sharp shooting that brought the season to the half-way mark in style.

Things were not always scintillating at the "Y" but there was a generous helping of slithering, sliding fun on the grassy surface as Shimon were outplayed by Betar's breathtaking versatility during the first period. They always had two to three men challenging for the ball, outmaneuvered their visitors in midfield and sprayed passes about for their fast running forwards with the skill and elegance that has become a hallmark.

The opening goal served Shimon a sad lesson on why it is always so important to play only to the referee's whistle. A through pass to Eli Ohana was signalled offside by the linesman. Referee Arye Frost, however, well positioned, over-ruled him and waved play on. In the momentary hesitation Shimon were sunk. The live-wire forward gave them no chance to recover their breath, sped away from Attiya his shadow and hammered a low left-footer which beat the despairing Balash's dive.

Once they had recovered their composure from a heated three-minute debate with Frost, the set-back spurred Shimon on to greater things. But in a highly competitive engagement that occasionally, but understandably, became a trifle over combative Betar held sway all along. Balash was awfully brave diving persistently at Betar feet but he was powerless with their second goal, scored just before the turnabout.

Betar employed a pinball maneuver with the Shimon posts; Malmilian was generously fed by Ohana and he steadied himself for a fierce drive. It rocketed back from the upright and with the Shimon defence swimming like ducks upstream, Kirat hammered home off the other post.

Betar dozed for 25 minutes of the second half and all the old pressures of a fiercely demanding crowd began to tell. The warning bells of what might yet go wrong should their forwards fail to find the net early on in a home game sounded clear as noisily as any from the "Y" tower.

But fortunately for them this was not a day the Shimon forwards



DAVID LAVIE — Yet another goal keeps Netanya on winning path. (IPPA)

will want to recall with great relish. David missed a priceless heading opportunity early in the second half, Shlomo Mizrahi was woefully weak with a shot from a perfect position and they generally never tested Suissa with any real effort.

Should Betar face a more courageous attack rather than one overawed by their past achievements their defence combined with the negative pressures of the fans, they could still be highly vulnerable.

Towards the end they recovered their posture a little. Ohana jinxed his way through with a number of dazzling runs but upfront Schwartz, Malmilian and Ohana should really have sealed things with more goals.

They charged a ridiculously high 151,300 admission fee for the game but for the 3,000 faithful and the 3,000 more who swarmed through a broken down gate at halftime the display was good enough to warm the cockles of any Jerusalem heart and make up for the bitterly cold conditions and the dent in their pockets.

The less said the better about Hapoel Tel Aviv's miserable effort at Jaffa, but their old rivals Maccabi Tel Aviv were fairly good value nearby at Bloomfield where they came back twice to salvage a point against Beersheba.

Maccabi retained their third place, and went their ninth game without defeat. But it was a close thing as the visitors to Bloomfield from the Negev were in front twice. Motti Iwanir scored both Maccabi's equalizers.

After Efraim David had opened the scoring and Shalom Avitan put Beersheba ahead from close range until the late Iwanir second — his seventh goal of the season.

The quality game of the day came at an unexpected venue and was seen by fewer than 600 fans at Yahud. There the home Hapoel emerged 4-3 winners over plucky Yavne, who lost for the first time in ten outings. For Yehuda, once considered goalless draw specialists, it was a second consecutive home game in which their forwards scored four goals.

In the third minute, Yehuda Dugatch opened for Yehuda. Thirty-seven year old Yoram Orenstein levelled in the 10th minute. Amir Lieberman and Hanan Rotman, of Kibbutz Metzger, catapulted Yehuda into a 3-1 lead, but before halftime Meir Ben Shimon reduced the arrears. Uri Saliman made it 4-2 from the penalty spot and David Waknin clinched the final scoreline three minutes before the end.

Maccabi Netanya scored their fourth consecutive win, moving a smart four places up the league ladder to sixth spot. Betar Tel Aviv were the unlucky victims at the Hativva Quarter, going down by 2-1. David Lavie gave the visitors the lead with his 12th goal of the season, a header in the 30th minute.

The goal was actually against the run of play as Betar, led by the talented Niv Cohen, pressed in waves on Aris Alter's goal. Easily the best of the match, Alter, however, held the Netanya fort intact. In the 79th minute, Betar knew it was their last day when Niv Cohen put the ball into his own net. Two minutes later, veteran defender Shraga Topolsky headed a consolation goal for Betar.



SHLOMO KIRAT — He got Betar's second goal. (Yisraeli)

**National League**  
Betar Jerusalem 2, Shimon 0  
Maccabi Jaffa 0, Hapoel Tel Aviv 0  
Macc. Petah Tikva 2, Be'er Yehuda 1  
Hap. Yehud 4, Macc. Yavne 3  
Ramat Amich 3, Macc. Haifa 2  
Hakoh 2, Hap. Lod 1  
Bet. Tel Aviv 1, Macc. Netanya 2  
Macc. Tel Aviv 2, Hap. Beersheba 2

**Standings, after 15 games:**

	W	D	L	G	Pts.
Bet. Jern	10	5	0	31:13	35
Hap. TA	8	6	1	23:10	30
Macc. TA	6	6	3	24:18	24
Macc. Haifa	6	4	5	20:16	22
Bet. TA	6	5	7	22:21	20
Netanya	5	5	5	23:24	20
Lod	5	5	5	15:17	20
Yavne	4	7	4	14:15	19
Yehud	4	4	6	18:20	19
Beersheba	5	4	6	18:19	19
Shimon	4	6	5	17:15	18
Hakoh	5	3	7	11:20	18
Macc. PT	3	6	6	12:15	15
Amich	3	6	6	17:24	15
Bnei Yehuda	1	7	7	9:16	13

**Second Division**

Hap. Rishon LeZion 3, Hap. Jerusalem 3	W	D	L	G	Pts.
Hap. Ashdod 0, Hap. Hadera 1	0	4	3	16:10	25
Kfar Sava 1, Hap. Ramat Gan 0	7	4	4	15:10	25
Bnei Shimon 2, Hap. Ramat Gan 0	7	4	4	15:10	25
Bet. Haifa 3, Upper Nazareth 1	4	6	5	15:17	18
Hap. Holon 0, Betar Ramat 0	5	1	9	14:27	16
Hap. Petah Tikva postponed	2	8	5	13:16	15
Hader	9	4	3	16:10	25
Hap. PT (14)	7	4	4	15:10	25
Rishon	7	4	4	15:10	25
Ashdod	7	4	4	15:10	25
Kfar Sava	6	5	4	19:10	23
Hap. Jern	6	5	4	20:20	21
Hap. Haifa	5	6	4	16:16	21
K. Shimonah	5	5	5	20:20	20
Marmorek	4	6	5	15:17	18
U. Nazareth	3	8	4	13:17	17
Bet. Haifa	5	1	9	14:27	16
Holon (14)	2	8	5	13:16	15
Bet. Ramat	2	8	5	7:10	14
Bet. Shean	2	8	7	11:19	12
Bet. Shmush	0	8	7	14:24	8

**Patriotic ex-con**  
RIO DE JANEIRO (Reuter). — Police here have disclosed that three men have been arrested for stealing and melting down the Jules Rimet Cup, which had been held in perpetuity by Brazil after winning three World Soccer Cups.

The arrests resulted from a tipoff by an ex-convict who said he had been invited to participate in the theft of the cup from the Rio headquarters of the Football Association.

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### Joys and blues of the circuit

Post Sports Staff and Agencies

Poland's Wojtek Fibak scored an unexpected fourth round victory over fourth-seeded Jimmy Arias to secure a place in the last four of the valuable U.S. Pro Indoor tennis tournament in Philadelphia.

The unseeded Fibak's 6-2, 7-6 victory set him up for a semi-final tie against John McEnroe. The other semi-final pits top seeded Ivan Lendl against Yannick Noah.

A disgusted and weary Johan Kriek, the world's 15th-ranked player, says he is contemplating leaving the professional tour for up to six months.

Kriek made his surprising announcement after he had lost to fellow-American Brad Gilbert 7-6, 6-2 in the third round of the \$375,000 event.

"I think I might quit for six months. I'm sick and tired of this. I'm sick of the travel, of the humdrum life," said Kriek, who was born in South Africa but is now a naturalized American.

"It's an incredibly stressful life. People think how glamorous a life it is, but it isn't," said Kriek, who played his first tournament at the age of 10 and left home at 12 to continue his tennis.

"It gets to a point where you grind your teeth and it's not fun. I've just got to go out and live like a normal person," said Kriek, who won the Australian Open in 1982 and 1983. Kriek mentioned a third round defeat by Robert Van't Hof at Wimbledon last year as the starting point of his growing disenchantment with the pro circuit.

Chris Evert Lloyd, Hans Mandlikova and Andrea Jaeger have joined Martina Navratilova in qualifying to compete in the \$500,000 Virginia Slims championships in New York at the end of February.

The richest tournament in women's tennis, the championships will offer the largest ever first-prize purse — \$15,000 for a women's singles champion and will feature an innovative best-of-five-sets format for its singles final.

**Perkis' pilgrimage**  
By JACK LEON  
Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel's No. 2 tennis player Shahar Perkis, noted the local game's best prospect since Shlomo Glickstein, this week launches his career as a full-time professional when he takes part in ATP competition in Britain. Perkis, 21, and his 19-year-old team-mate and doubles partner Oded Ya'akov left for England last week, to play in a \$32,000 five-tournament satellite circuit, which gets under way tomorrow.

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Having climbed 200 rungs up the ATP world singles rankings ladder since September, to attain his current 273rd place among the 1,000-odd competitors listed, Perkis has now set himself the ambitious target of finishing the year in the top 100 players. In doubles, the 1.94-cm tall Haifaite is 364th on the computer.

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### Maccabi Ramat Gan hoopsters — an unexpected source of pride

By DON GOULD  
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TEL AVIV. — As the basketball season enters the final stretch the heavy hand of reality begins — as it does regularly at this time of the year — to impose its will. The most talented combinations assume their rightful places at the top while the upstarts are relegated to the less enviable positions. The traditional pattern is being reflected in the National League but competition on the European front has produced one consistent and very welcome surprise, Maccabi Ramat Gan.

Maccabi Tel Aviv, the perennial champions, had as usual nurtured the fondest hopes of glory. They have, however, floundered badly and after their second successive away defeat, this time in Spain, on Thursday night have all but mathematically been eliminated from reaching the final.

Hapoel Ramat Gan, showing various elements of greatness, had looked a good prospect in the Korac Cup but they blew a 31-point bulge in their key match in Italy and found themselves sidelined until next year. Likewise, Hapoel Tel Aviv succumbed in the Cup Winners' Cup.

The residual hopes lie with the least fancied Israeli team, the rag-tag bunch from Maccabi Ramat Gan.

Having won their qualifying division in style they are now prettily positioned at the top of their quarter-final grouping and but one victory away from a coveted semi-final slot.

Even the most reliable experts were confounded when they secured an amazingly high third placing in the league last season. This uncharitable view seemed like it would be borne out in the present season where they will still be somewhat fortunate to grab a playoff place at the end of the regular games.

Ramat Gan lost their veteran coach Yehoshua Rozin to Hapoel Tel Aviv, replacing him with a young firebrand Rani Kahane whose record has until now, to say the least, been rather so-so. Hard-working Don Smith moved to Kiryat Motzkin and was replaced by Greg Cornelius, a player Maccabi were never sure they really wanted.

Doron Jamchee, the country's best pure shooter with perhaps the longest range of any offensive player in Israel or for that matter in Europe, doesn't play defence at all. Shmuel Zysman, besides being rather diminutive, didn't seem to possess the court savvy of his Hapoel Ramat Gan counterpart Avigdor Mosecovitz or the hustle of Maccabi Tel Aviv's Motti Aroesti.

Uri Ben-Ari looked little more than a taller version of Jamchee, with all his limitations and able to command less of a shooting range. It was difficult to see how Carl Amos, maybe the most unselfish and among the finest all-round

Amir Ganiel to clinch a place. Athletes Mark Handelsman and Zahava Shmueli look "probables" for the team. Handelsman, 23, is a student of dentistry in California, having come to Israel from South Africa. He has thrice bettered the minimum of 1:48.00 minutes for the 800 metres, his best time being 1:45.3, achieved in April 1981. He will be expected to beat the minimum again between now and May in order to be sure of his spot in the Israeli team.

Zahava Shmueli, 28, has a best time of 2 hours 40.27 minutes compared to the minimum of 2:45.00 hours in the marathon. The IOC selectors hope that she too will still beat the minimum.

In boxing, Moshe Sigalov of the Lad Golden Gloves club looks a probable for the Los Angeles club in the 51 kilo division. He might well be joined by Kanan Barak of Acre, who fights in the 63 kilo division. He would be the only Arab in the Israeli team.

Just too might well be represented by two grapplers — Eddy Kozak, 25, and Moshe Fuchs, 26, both of the Hapoel Petah Tikva club. Meir Dalaya of Maccabi Tel Aviv is likely to be Israel's sole weightlifter in the lightweight division.

Fencers Shimon Eyal, 24, and Dalia Haimel, a 20-year-old soldier, improved their Olympic chances greatly with fine performances in France earlier this month. Markman lastly seem to squeeze into Israel's Olympic squads, and Yair Davidovich and Yehuda Yonah look the most trigger happy among them.

Afek said the Olympic Committee would have no trouble financing a contingent to the Olympiad. Each participant, athlete, coach or official, would cost \$4,000 to send to Los Angeles. The IOC expects a boost of \$100,000 to come from L.A. Jewry, with the Olympic Committee — whose main income is from the Sportoto football pool — and the Ministry of Education providing the necessary supplement for the Olympic squad, regardless of its eventual size.

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players in Israeli basketball fitted in with Maccabi's forte, their run and gun style. Added to all this their bench was highly suspect.

Success bred other problems. Ramat Gan's management laboured under serious financial difficulties — when they managed to work their way through to the Korac quarter finals they couldn't produce the necessary funding to send the team abroad. Their early achievement was almost frittered away before the national association bailed them out. Still the players' pay-cheques, when they come at all, invariably arrive late.

Yet no-one genuinely gave them a chance. Perhaps precisely because of that, the free spirits who call themselves Maccabi Ramat Gan — having nothing to lose and are riding so high. They reeled off three straight home court victories, results that were little short of staggering in that each of their opponents, with the possible exception of Crystal Palace, is on paper a considerably better team.

They finally lost, in Italy 10 days ago to Carera, but their single point victory over Palace in London last Wednesday has hoisted them into a tingling finale with Antibes. For financial reasons they have remained in Europe for Tuesday night's crucial game, this being cheaper than making two trips in and out of Israel.

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## For Kohl to ponder

HELMUT KOHL, the second governing chancellor of West Germany to visit Israel, goes back today in the knowledge that, despite the historic shadow that hangs over relations between the two countries, Israel — the unofficial no less than the official — is willing to see a strengthening of the bridge between them.

At the same time, Mr. Kohl must also be going back with the awareness that this bridge cannot be a drawbridge, to be raised at convenience when ships must pass that carry arms to countries in a state of war with Israel, or when other "vital interests" of the day are deemed by Bonn important enough to interrupt or divert the traffic with Israel.

If nothing else has impressed Mr. Kohl and his entourage during this visit, then it should be the fact that it was a moral, not a material, issue — the prospective arms deal between West Germany and Saudi Arabia — that was the main topic of his discussions with Israeli leaders.

It is a moral issue because no one in Israel believes or argues that Israel's security will be jeopardized by German arms more than by those of any other provenance, and no one in this country believes that Saudi Arabia will not be able to obtain all the arms that petrodollars can buy in any part of the world.

It is not a material issue and was not discussed as such. The Chancellor was not pressed to grant Israel compensation of some sort for the proposed Saudi deal. For Germany that would have been a cheap price to pay for Israeli acquiescence in Bonn's entry into the Middle Eastern arms market.

If Israel has stopped short of such *realpolitik*, that should give Mr. Kohl food for thought on his way back home. He has, while here, spoken in moving words of his country's historical responsibility towards Israel. He should now, even at this late stage, show that there are acts of omission as well as commission that are entailed by that responsibility.

## Out of the mouths of babes

IN ISRAEL'S political community, Mattityahu Shmuelevitz is known as a rather ineffectual director-general of the Prime Minister's Office. His appointment, by Mr. Begin, was an award for loyalty, not merit. His role and influence is limited. It does not include articulating policy, certainly not strategic policy.

That made the surprise all the greater yesterday when it was reported that he had said, in an interview to a prestigious German newspaper, that if Bonn went ahead and sold its advanced Leopard tanks to Saudi Arabia, Israel might have to initiate a pre-emptive strike against that country.

Israelis may know that Mr. Shmuelevitz should not be taken seriously. But his words made headlines not only in Germany. And in chancelleries around the world it could be legitimately assumed that the director-general was voicing the position of his prime minister. Was that Mr. Shamir's intention? Did he wish to suggest that he would take Israel to war against Saudi Arabia — the chief strategic interest of the West and the U.S. in the Middle East?

The prime minister, it must be assumed, would not be so ludicrous.

Yet why was Mr. Shmuelevitz permitted to give an interview in the first place on a subject beyond his competence? Surely, the fact of the interview had Mr. Shamir's prior approval. Perhaps the prime minister even told his aide to be tough on the Leopard issue, but did not anticipate Mr. Shmuelevitz's capacity to bungle the task.

Warnings of pre-emptive strikes are not facily made by governments that understand statecraft, no matter how the warning is packaged. If not seriously intended, they provoke ridicule. If seriously intended, they must be credible, in time and place.

Mr. Shmuelevitz succeeded grandly on the first count. To safeguard his own and his government's credibility, Mr. Shamir should dissociate himself from his director-general's blundering.

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diplomatic relations with Israel before it is admitted to the European Economic Community. This was one of the issues raised by the Israeli side in last week's talks with Kohl and his delegation.

As to Kohl's reference in his Tuesday dinner speech to the Palestinian right to self-determination, Mertes stressed that in Bonn's view the recognition of this right must be linked directly to a peace solution with Israel.

Meanwhile, Shamir told the West

German newspaper *Welt am Sonntag* that Jerusalem has warned the Bonn government that Israel can only anticipate a dangerous situation if the Saudis receive West German weapons, saying that such sales would have "most serious consequences." The prime minister said: "We don't want Jewish blood to again be spilled by German arms."

As reported earlier, the Social Democratic opposition in West Germany has sharply criticized the government for its intention to sell weapons to Saudi Arabia, and opposition leader Hans Jochen Vogel has written Kohl a letter appealing for a "hands-off" policy by Bonn, with no sales of arms to either Israel or the Arab states.

Individual members of Kohl's coalition are also known to be opposed. Although the government is not obliged to bring the matter to the Bundestag, a parliamentary debate may enable the Bonn government to back out of the arms sales, despite the Jeddah declaration of last October in which West Germany agreed to establish military cooperation with the Saudis.

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With a combination of ruthlessness, pragmatism and skilled political maneuvering, President Hafez Assad has nearly brought the Lebanese government to heel, grabbed a chunk of the PLO, and watched comfortably as both Israel and the United States waded deeper into the violent swamp of Lebanon.

At home, Assad has crippled, if not crushed, political opposition. Syria's economy is faltering seriously, but the fruits of a decade of rapid economic progress and Assad's heavy-handed secret police organizations have prevented the problem from developing into a political one.

"Despite the oppression, the police state, Assad has fairly broad support," one western diplomat here commented. "People were nervous when he was sick; they were afraid of the contest for power if he died. Most Syrians are much better off economically than they were 20 years ago. That's something no one should forget. They have no political rights, but no one is starving."

Like all those interviewed, the diplomat refused to be identified. THE RULING Ba'ath Party took power in 1963. The socialist-oriented party launched a programme of agricultural reform and economic development, but internal conflicts and several coups prevented rapid progress until Lt. Gen. Hafez Assad's coup in 1970.

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stability, Syria's annual economic growth reached an average of more than 15 per cent, despite the massive economic destruction of the 1973 Arab-Israeli war. That growth continued until recently, when dropping oil prices and regional political conflicts triggered by Syria's hard-line stands began to dry up the massive amounts of aid from other Arab countries, which had reached up to \$1.5b. a year.

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Syria is firmly secular. Religious leaders are for the most part kept out of politics. There is almost no state enforcement of religious laws.

In fact, Assad is suspicious of Moslem fundamentalism, and did not hesitate to crush the Moslem Brotherhood when the Sunni group launched a guerrilla campaign against his government.

In February 1982, the Moslem Brotherhood sparked an uprising in the city of Hama, executing government officials and taking over part of the city. Assad sent in 12,000 troops. Much of the town was destroyed and more than 10,000 people are believed to have died.

Many Damascus Syrians fear fundamentalist contamination of local Moslems by the Iranians, and they are closely watched and restricted.

SYRIA UNDER Assad is a strict dictatorship. At least five major intelligence agencies keep close watch on its eight million people.

According to a recent Amnesty International report, thousands of people have been jailed without charge, and many tortured severely. Hundreds of people have reportedly been executed.

Secret police and special troops under the command of Assad's brother, Rifaat, operate virtually without check either in their official duties or in their private lives. They

may stop, search, arrest, beat or rob any ordinary citizen without fear of the consequences.

Corruption is widespread, but is often seen more as a means of circumventing restrictive laws and regulations than an evil to be uprooted.

THE COUNTRY'S continued heavy military involvement in Lebanon, unlike that of Israel and the U.S., causes little public comment — partly because of the danger of criticizing the government, and partly because the Syrian army has fared well since its defeat by Israel in the summer of 1982.

While Israel's occupation army in Southern Lebanon is subjected to constant attacks and ambushes, the Syrian occupation army has been engaged in almost no ground fighting for more than a year, other than firing artillery support for its Druse and Shi'ite allies against the Lebanese Army and Christian militias, and backing rebel Palestinians in their successful civil war against Yasser Arafat.

Air and naval artillery attacks by the U.S. and the Lebanese Army have killed a number of Syrians, but with complete control of the local news media, the government has prevented such incidents from being publicized internally.

While Israeli soldiers in Southern Lebanon crouch behind their

machine-guns in constant fear of attack, the most Syrian soldiers, duty in the Bekaa Valley, means long, boring days on guard duty, and a chance to buy tax-free cigarettes, liquor and consumer goods in the unregulated shops along the Beirut-Damascus highway.

WITH RELATIVE stability at home and little pressure on his army in Lebanon, Assad is in a commanding position in the region.

"The U.S. tried to ignore him in negotiating the May 17 agreement [regulating relations between Beirut and Jerusalem], by doing nothing except stirring up Lebanese opposition groups," said a western military expert here. "Assad has killed that."

The Syrians do not fear an outbreak of hostilities. After a \$2b. rearmament programme by the Soviet Union, the Syrian army and air force are both stronger than ever before. The 80 or more planes lost in 1982 have been replaced by newer models. Anti-aircraft systems have been beefed up with more and newer missiles, and ground defences have been strengthened.

"The Syrian army still cannot beat the Israelis, but it can hurt them, and that's all Assad wanted," said the expert.

The Syrians, whose main goals are to maintain their influence in Lebanon and the region and prevent Israeli influence from growing, need do nothing to accomplish these, he added.

"The Americans are being hurt. The Israelis are being hurt. The Syrians want a stable Lebanon, but they can afford to wait another year or two."

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By CORDELIA EDVARDSON

Members of Betar, the right wing youth movement, greeted the chancellor dressed in the striped garb of concentration camp prisoners.

I disagree with them vehemently. The expression "Hitler's triumph beyond the grave" has been used in the protest against Kohl's visit. (If Germany, of all nations, is selling weapons to Saudi Arabia, that would be "Hitler's triumph beyond the grave," it was argued.)

BUT FOR me, the idea of young Israelis, born free into a free nation, dressed in concentration camp uniforms, for me that is "Hitler's triumph beyond the grave."

Let me explain this statement. Even I feel a slight uneasiness seeing the German national symbol — even if it is no longer the swastika. I shiver when I hear the tune of the old German national anthem, *Deutschland, Deutschland über Alles*. I can hear the goose-stepping and I half-expect the *Horst Wessel* song to follow.

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